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Indo-Chinese Battle Police In Protest Against U. S. Fleet

SAIGON, March 19. — Thousands of Indo-Chinese patriots today demonstrated against the presence of American naval forces here. For two hours they fought off bloody police attacks, during which scores were injured and, according to unconfirmed reports, some killed. The American, French and puppet flags were torn down from the City Hall, and during the fighting the market place was destroyed by fire. At least eight persons, including one woman, were arrested. Martial law was declared.

Police said 3,000 students and 1,000 workers were involved. The workers tried to fight off police by building a barricade of vegetable trucks, but police broke through to oust them from the marketplace.

Police used tear gas and the patriots replied with stones and bricks.

FLEET IS SPARK

The demonstration was touched off by the visit here of the U. S. destroyers Richard B. Anderson and Stickell, bringing Vice Adm. Russell S. Berkey, commander of the U. S. 7th Fleet, on a "courtesy visit" to Bao Dai, puppet

of the Japanese and now of the French.

The U. S. aircraft carrier Boxer, unable to negotiate the winding river from the South China Sea, lay offshore and her planes flew over Indo-China earlier this week in a demonstration of force.

Crudely printed pamphlets distributed by the marchers said, "Down with American Imperialism and French Colonization" and asked for "Death to Bao Dai."

Some of the slogans said the United States had been "defeated in China and will be defeated in Indo-China. What is the fleet doing here?"

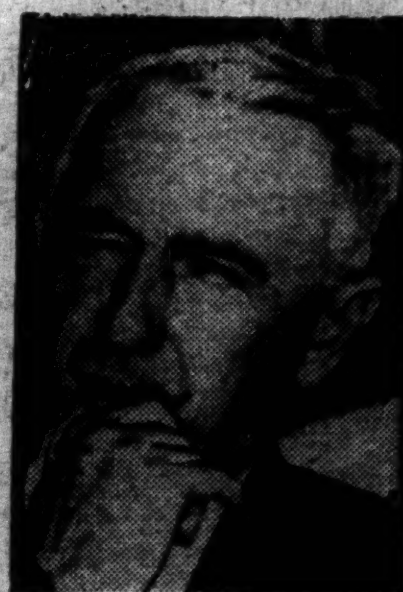
PROTEST SPREADS

The police had approved a student march to nearby Cholon to rebuild workers' houses destroyed by fire two weeks ago, but en route the paraders went to the City Hall to protest against the visit of the American ships.

They demanded to see the Mayor and when told he was not there, tore down the American, French and "Viet

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FOR NAZIS, FRANCO



SENATOR GEORGE

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Does It!

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Acheson Lifted 7 Points from War-Now Book

By David Carpenter

Secretary of State Dean Acheson's seven-point program for allegedly easing the cold war is an exact copy of the first step in the plan proposed by James Burnham, former Trotskyite, for a war of extermination against the Soviet Union. In his book, *The Coming Defeat of Communism*, published Feb. 16, Burnham, who now appears to be masterminding American foreign policy, set as the first step in the offensive against the Soviet Union the projection of a so-called "deal with Russia." Acheson's speech proposed exactly that.

The "deal with Russia," wrote Burnham, "ought to be loudly and constantly proclaimed in every public forum." The vast newspaper and radio coverage of Acheson's Thursday speech fulfills that condition abundantly.

The "deal with Russia" must be such that the leadership of the Soviet Union cannot accept it, Burnham stressed. He wrote: "I readily agree that official communist acceptance would be so unlikely as to be impossible. The truth is that by excepting such a deal, the communists would in substance cease being communists."

The conditions set by Acheson in his speech carry out that instruction completely.

Acheson's conditions for a "deal with Russia" are in substance only paraphrases of those laid down by Burnham, who is rumored to be in Washington now as an adviser to the State Department. [In Washington Burnham's name does not appear on the State Department's register of employees, and the department claimed it had never heard of him.]

Acheson said:

With regard to the whole group of countries which we are accustomed to think of as the satellite area, the Soviet leaders could withdraw their military and police force and refrain from using the shadow of that force to keep in power persons or regimes which do not command the respect of the respective peoples.

Acheson said:

Nothing would so alter the international climate as the holding of elections in the satellite states in which the true will of the people could be expressed.

Acheson said:

The Soviet leaders could join us in seeking realistic and effective arrangements for the control of atomic weapons and the limitation of armaments in general. We know it is not easy for them to contemplate the functioning on their territory of an authority in which people would participate who are not of their political persuasion.

Acheson said:

The Kremlin could refrain from using the Communist apparatus controlled by it throughout the world to attempt to overthrow, by subversive means, established governments with which the Soviet Government stands in an outward state of friendship and respect.

Acheson said:

... we feel that the Soviet leaders could at least permit access to the Soviet Union of persons and ideas from other countries so that other views might be presented to the Russian people.

The purpose of projecting this phony "deal with Russia," as Burnham writes, "is not predicated upon the likelihood of the present regime's accepting it. A proposed deal can become, whether acknowledged or not, a chief part of the platform of an internal opposition to the regime. More than that, to propose a deal can be the signal for creating an opposition, for calling an opposition into existence. It gives an opposition, a rallying ground, a reason for existence; it gives sense and point to opposition activity."

Burnham, who finally broke with Trotskyism after Trotsky's conspiracy against the Soviet Union had been exposed and destroyed in the 1930's, thus hopes to use this "deal" as a rallying point for creating the forces for a new plot of the same character in the Soviet Union to undermine it and make possible the military conquest of the socialist world by United States imperialism and its satellites.

For that is the main objective set forth by Burnham—preparations for a war against the Soviet Union for "the coming defeat of communism."

Burnham puts it this way: "Perhaps, if . . . the armed showdown looms close, the proposed deal should become a final ultimatum."

Burnham wrote:

The total withdrawal of the personnel of the Red Army—uniformed or undercover, the MVD, and all other related Soviet institutions, from all territory outside the pre-1939 Soviet borders.

Burnham wrote:

A free choice of government, after suitable preparation, by the peoples of all the territories and nations which have been submitted to de facto Soviet control since 1939.

Burnham wrote:

A sufficient modification of the internal Soviet structure to guard the world against its secret and irresponsible militarization. This would seem to require as a minimum . . . the prohibition of the manufacture of atomic and other weapons of mass destruction, together with the safeguarding of this prohibition by some such system of international inspection as provided by the so-called "Baruch Plan."

Burnham wrote:

The liquidation de facto of the communist fifth column . . . (which) rests upon a secret apparatus of direct professional agents of the Kremlin which constitute the core and skeleton of every communist party.

Burnham wrote:

... the opening up of the Soviet Union to normal intercourse with the rest of the world—that is, the right of entry and unrestricted travel for visitors, journalists, diplomats, businessmen, students . . .

Ban H-Bomb, Urges Maryland Peace Parley

BALTIMORE, March 19.—Peace Day was celebrated here today with a call by 250 delegates to the Maryland Conference for Peace for the immediate banning of all atomic weapons and hydrogen bombs, and for new peace talks between the United States and the Soviet Union. Proclaimed by Mayor Thomas D'Alesandro, "Peace Day was originated by the Maryland Committee for Peace, composed of clergymen, educators, union officials and civic leaders."

The conference was keynoted by Dr. Philip Morrison, atomic physicist of Cornell University. It was resolved to issue a peace ballot to give the people of the state a chance to express their peace desires.

The conference urged church and all other organizations to conduct peace forums. It backed D'Alesandro's proclamation, which declared "the necessity for thinking, talking and working unceasingly for permanent peace."

LIFE OR DEATH

Morrison told the white and Negro delegates from 33 organizations that Truman's decision to produce the hydrogen bomb made

it necessary for the American people to "choose between life and death." The American people, he said, must force their political leaders "to look for ways of agreement, not ways of disagreement" between the U. S. and USSR.

PANELS

Speaking at "Religion and Peace" panel were Rev. G. Custer Cromwell of Towson, Md.; Rabbi Uri Miller, and the Rt. Rev. Alexander T. Shaw.

Professor Elton Atwater, of American University, chairman of the Friends (Quakers) Peace Committee in Washington, addressed the panel on "The U. S. and the Soviet Union."

Speaking before the panel on "War Tensions . . . Human Rights and Standard of Living" were Mrs. Angela Bambace, ILGWU manager in Maryland and Virginia, and Ralph Matthews, editor of the Washington Afro-American.

Report Acheson Plans Cold War 'Scare' Tour

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Secretary of State Dean Acheson's current speaking tour is designed to "scare the britches" off the American people as a means of securing their support for a new, coordinated and stronger American offensive in the cold war, according to well-informed persons here.

No one is very precise as to what the new offensive will include. Acheson himself hinted at its character when he said that "total diplomacy" requiring "sacrifices" from the whole American people is needed to achieve U. S. objectives.

Ferdinand Kuhn, Washington Post State Department correspondent, said the Acheson program, which has not yet been completely formulated, will aim at "the military, political, economic and spiritual strengthening of the non-Soviet world."

"The Berkeley speech did not say exactly how to do the job," Kuhn wrote in Friday's Post, "and

there is little evidence that the State Department and other agencies have agreed on any new or comprehensive plans."

"The policymakers argue that it would produce a welter of confusing ideas among the people to announce a definite program of action now. The first job, as they see it, is to make sure that the American people 'understand,'" Kuhn reported.

The Post correspondent predicted that when the plan is ready, President Truman will be the one who will make it public.

Assuming Kuhn's information is accurate, it is probable that this is the significance of the report that when Truman returns from Key West, he will set up a special cabinet.

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RAYMOND HANSBROUGH, 47, LEADING COMMUNIST, DIES



HANSBROUGH

Raymond Hansbrough, 47, a member of the Communist Party for 21 years and one-time member of its national committee, died Sunday morning at Triboro Hospital, Queens.

Hansbrough was active in Milwaukee and Chicago for many years, and had been in New York since 1945. Among other posts, he served as secretary of the National Negro Commission of the Communist Party.

Bed-ridden during a large part of the recent past, Hansbrough kept in constant touch with Party activity and problems.

A worker and molder, during his early years he contracted the industrial disease, silicosis, from which he suffered most of his life.

Hansbrough was born in Kentucky the son of John and Mary Hansbrough. He leaves his wife, Romania, and two brothers and two sisters.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

An Appeal to Daily Worker Readers

To all readers of the Daily Worker:

A great decision rests in your hands.

The Daily Worker asks you to guarantee its continued publication by your decision to make up its present deficit. There is no other source, no other way this can be accomplished.

We are confident that, as in the past, your answer will insure long life to the

Daily Worker. Your splendid response to our recent subscription drive for the weekend Worker gives us this confidence.

Despite the successful subscription drive, and despite every possible economy we have made in the editorial and mechanical departments of this paper, there's an immediate \$175,000 deficit staring us in the face. Without that money the paper can't roll.

To the labor-hating, hell-bent-for-war newspapers of America such a sum of money is very small indeed. Ten days' advertisements in the New York Times would net a larger amount. But papers

like that get such money because they tried to break the miners' strike. Funds are available to them because they endorse the manufacture of the Hell Bomb. Their revenues come in because they support the headlong drive to a police state in the U. S.

Publishing a paper which stands uncompromisingly for labor is a continuing battle against the financial interests who would close us down.

What joy there would be in the camp of Rankin and McCarthy, Hearst and General Motors, Dubinsky and Reuther, if they could force the Daily Worker to

cease publication! And what a void would be created in American journalism!

What paper would then back back to the atomaniacs? Who would talk for the men and women in the shops? Who would talk for the Negro people and confound the lynchers and double-talkers about equal rights?

Our needs are urgent but we are calm and confident in your decision. Send us your contributions without delay.

JOHN GATES,
Editor, Daily Worker.

GOP Wavers on Rent Bill in Albany

Reuther States He Opposes Mundt Bill

DETROIT, March 19.—Walter Reuther, president of the CIO United Auto Workers, declared his opposition to the Mundt bill through a spokesman here this week. Other top UAW officials who protested against the bill included Joe McCusker, west side regional director and a spokesman for Mike Lacey, East Side regional director.

The general council of Ford Local 600, speaking for 65,000 Ford workers, unanimously condemned the bill.

Reuther declared his opposition to the bill in these words: "We're opposed to it for the same reasons the CIO is opposed to it. We opposed the Mundt-Nixon bill before. It could be used against labor."

Fifty-two leaders and members of Local 208, UAW, wired Sen. Ferguson demanding the bill be shelved.

Ten leaders, including the president, vice-president, and secretary of Local 262 UAW wired a protest against the Mundt bill.

Seventy students and seven faculty members at the University of Michigan signed a petition demanding the bill be killed. Prof. Preston Slossen, historian, declared the bill was unconstitutional.

WIRE FERGUSON

The Political Action Committee of UAW Dodge Local 3 sent the following telegram to Sen. Ferguson: "We urge you to do everything in your power to shelve or defeat the infamous Mundt-Ferguson bill."

Tony Cassara, vice-president, Chrysler Local 7, told the Daily Worker: "If the CIO nationally is on record against it, I'm against it."

Sam Sweet, educational director, Plymouth Local 51: "It smells of fascism."

Ned Coleman, president, Local 205: "We're all against it."

Harry Southwell, president, West Side Local 174: "My position is the same as the official CIO position."

James Chihocki, president of Briggs Local 742: "I'm against it. It's an anti-labor bill."

Vice-President Craig, Hudson Local 154, UAW: "I'm against it."

Ken Morris, President, Briggs Local 212: "I'm opposed to all types of repressive legislation."

Michigan CIO Backs Jobless Groups

DETROIT, March 18.—The Michigan CIO has announced full support to the nine-point program of the Upper Peninsular Rehabilitation and Economic Council. The UPREC consists of labor, community, farm, veteran and cooperative groups whose program aims at aiding the jobless.



REUTHER
Cites CIO Policy

By Michael Singer

ALBANY, March 19.—Prospects for defeat of the landlord decontrol bill appeared brighter tonight than at any time since the Stephen measure was introduced in the Legislature. A frenzied last-minute conference between Gov. Dewey and Republican legislative leaders was held in the Executive Mansion tonight, and it was authoritatively disclosed that GOP leaders were ready to accept amendments tightening up eviction and rent-boost loopholes.

Both parties, jockeying for political advantages in the November election, admitted rent control would be the major issue. As a result, bipartisan maneuvers to bypass effective state rent control showed signs of cracking under the two-week sustained offensive.

The campaign by the New York Tenants Council, Negro organizations, the American Labor Party and the Communist Party has put the Republican leadership here in a dilemma. Virtually certain of easy passage a week ago, the Republican-sponsored Stephens bill is now floundering.

With Wednesday the deadline for rollcalls—2:30 p.m. has been set for adjournment—the Legislature is being hammered in a crescendo of tenant protests against decontrol, higher-rent and eviction clauses in the Stephens measure. Tenant pressure has (Continued on Page 8)

Well Done, CCNY!

AN EDITORIAL

Congratulations to the fighting basketball team of New York's City College, which swept through the field in the National Invitation Tourney. Typical of CCNY's great court tradition, the new national champions are working class graduates of our town's public high schools. Symbolic of that are co-captains Irwin Dambrot and Joe Galiber, white and Negro. Facing the same tough scholastic standards of all the students, studying as hard as they play, City's athletes are identified fully with their student body, a phenoneman reflected in the affectionate uproar they always receive from their gallery.

To veteran coach Nat Holman, to the gifted Ed Warner, young Negro sophomore voted the tourney's Most Valuable Player, to Irwin Dambrot, Ed Roman, Floyd Lane, Al Roth, Herb Cohen, Norm Mager, Joe Galiber, Ronnie Nadell, Mike Wittlin and the rest—well done!

Protests Against Mundt Bill Spread

Progressive Party Urges Protest Drive

The national committee of the Progressive Party, meeting here Saturday, instructed state and local affiliates to organize "vigorous protests" against the Mundt Bill.

"At the very same time the Administration boasts of its concern with individual liberties," the Progressive Party declared, "Administration senators voted with Republicans to destroy these liberties in the Senate Committee."

The party noted that a "determined campaign" halted the bill last year and stressed that "determined and widespread protest can stop the bill entirely."

Professionals Assail Bill as Treason

The New York Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions yesterday assailed the Mundt bill as "official treason to constitutional principles and democratic traditions."

It said in a statement that every physicist who warned of the destructive powers of the H-bomb was subject to prosecution under this law, as were artists for their paintings and teachers for advocating free examination of all philosophies.

CIO Shoe Workers Oppose Measure

The New York Joint Council of the CIO United Shoe Workers has demanded the defeat of the Mundt Bill, it was announced yesterday. Similar action was taken Monday night by a meeting of 500 shop chairmen of the union. The shop chairmen's meeting also resolved to rally a fight against the bill in the shops and among all shoe workers. The resolutions were addressed to Sens. Scott Lucas, Irving M. Ives and Herbert H. Lehman.

500 at Gary Rally

Special to the Daily Worker

GARY, Ind., March 18.—Five hundred people, at a mass meeting addressed by Mrs. Eslanda Robeson, last night unanimously voted to send wires to Congressional leaders urging defeat of the Mundt-Ferguson bill. The meeting, sponsored by the Progressive Party and the Civil Rights Congress, and held at the St. Paul Baptist Church, also called for outlawing atomic warfare.

DETROIT . . .

DETROIT, March 18.—The Political Action Committee of United Auto Workers Dodge Local 3 wired Sen. Homer Ferguson protesting the Mundt-Ferguson bill.

Fifty-two leaders and members of UAW Local 208 also wired demanding the bill be shelved. Ten union leaders of UAW Local 262, including the president, vice president, and secretary, wired protests to Senate leaders.

CHICAGO . . .

CHICAGO, March 19.—Prominent Chicagoans have joined the protest movement here against the police-state Mundt Bill.

Dr. Curtis Reese, director, Abraham Lincoln Center, declared: "I was opposed to it last year and I oppose it now. You cannot outlaw a political party."

Rev. Armand Guerrero: "The intent of the bill is to silence liberal opinion and regiment thought. I plan to get in touch with our Senators and tell them what I think of it."

Paul Annes, former president, City Club: "This is no better than the one we had in the previous Congress."

Dr. James Yard, retired President, Chicago Conference of Christians and Jews: "As a long-time member of the American Civil Liberties Union, I'm against the suppression of civil liberties."

Others wiring protests to Sen. Lucas included Mrs. Annie Oliver, National DuSable Memorial Society; Jackie Ormes, Feature (Continued on Page 9)

Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX

Managing Editor

Every Friday—the day our School Page appears—the Daily Worker is sold near schools at three o'clock when mothers come to pick up their children. Also after PTA meetings.

One woman took fifteen papers to sell in front of child care center. In five minutes she sold seven and then distributed the rest.

One canvasser was selling Daily Workers near a school. A woman came over, asked what she was selling and when she heard it was the DW, said "Oh!" and turned away. A second woman, over-hearing her, said indignantly, "So what! Read it. What are you afraid of?" The canvasser sold two Dailies right there.

And here's a letter from Mrs. B. R.—

"I have wanted to write to tell you how happy I was to see the school page. I am not a new reader of the Daily Worker but with the introduction of the page I felt a new interest in it. Its greatest value to me has been to see that other parents are worrying about the same things I am and are ready to do something about it."

Today's POINT of ORDER

We can expect that Secretary of State Acheson will insist next that there can't be any peace talks until the Soviet Union withdraws its fleet from the moon.

Teacher Parley Protests Timone's Attack on Union

Eight hundred teachers, at a membership meeting of the Teachers Union held at Washington Irving High School over the week-end, adopted a resolution protesting "the misuse of his official position" by George A. Timone, member of the Board of Education, to attack the union publicly at last Thursday's board meeting. The union called upon the Board of Education to repudiate Timone's "unwarranted attack" and to announce publicly that "teachers are free to join any teachers organization they may choose, without fear or reprisal."

In a separate resolution, the Teachers Union condemned the conduct of the meeting of the Board of Education at which Mrs. Sylvia Schneiderman, first grade teacher of a class of all-Negro children in P. S. 3, Brooklyn, was dismissed "without a hearing."

The board meeting was denounced by Mrs. Rose Russell, the union's legislative representative, as "packed by students from a nearby parochial school." Mrs. Russell charged the meeting hall was filled with "supporters of May Quinn." This she said was done "in collusion with officials at board headquarters."

INVITED BY OFFICIALS

"We have reason to believe," she added, "that some, if not all, of the teachers' associations allegedly represented at the board meeting were there on the express request or invitation of school officials and not by mandate of their memberships."

She accused Maximilian Moss, president of the Board of Education, with permitting "flagrant attacks to be made against the Teachers Union, while deliberately refusing to permit officers of the union who sought an opportunity to reply to do so."

Mrs. Russell charged Superintendent of Schools William Jansen with misrepresenting the facts in stating that Mrs. Schneiderman had refused to appear at headquarters. She quoted from Mrs. Schneiderman's letters to Dr. Jansen and Associate Superintendent Greenberg. One letter, written March 7, explained that Mrs. Schneiderman was ill, and concluded, "I shall therefore be unable to report to your office tomorrow for a hearing which, as you put it, means that my professional life is at stake, and must insist upon a postponement." Two days later, on March 9, Dr. Jansen announced his recommendations that she be dismissed.

The Big Haul

WASHINGTON, March 19 (UP).—The Treasury Department reported today that income tax returns for 1947 showed \$382,538 corporations reporting net income of \$33,386,263,000. Another 169,276 reported deficits of \$1,958,563,000.

SPY SINGS; DENVER POST FOUND GUILTY BY NLRB AID

DENVER, March 19 (FP).—An NLRB trial examiner has upheld charges of labor spying and unfair labor practices filed against the Denver Post by the Denver CIO Newspaper Guild.

Examiner Horace A. Ruckel's findings were based on extensive hearings held here last November. His recommendations have not gone into effect pending an appeal

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NEW ROUTES FOR MAY DAY PARADE ASKED OF POLICE

Officials of the United Labor and People's Committee for May Day announced today that they would meet with officers of the Police Department today to get approval of a new route of march and settle other arrangements for the traditional May Day Parade to be held Monday, May 1.

The committee has requested the new route to avoid any such incidents as disturbed the 1949 parade.

Last year, on the traditional route straight down Eighth Avenue, hoodlums attacked marchers and tried to start fights in the Twenties streets, where there is a heavy concentration of bars.

Charge Illegalities in ILGWU Cutters' Vote

In an election marked by flagrant administration illegalities, the Dubinsky machine slate in Cutters Local 10, International Ladies Garment Workers Union, was returned to

Commerce Dept. Submits Data On 'Loyalty'

WASHINGTON, March 19.—The Commerce Department has branded 27 of its employees as "bad security risks" and is barring them from secret data even though they have been formally cleared of "disloyalty" charges, it was disclosed today.

A House Appropriations subcommittee, headed by John J. Rooney (D-NY) made public recent closed-door hearings at which the Commerce Department revealed that 369 of its employees have been tagged by the FBI as possible "subversives." Of these, 273 were "acquitted," 71 have been fired, allowed to resign or dropped in payroll-paring drives, and 25 cases are still pending.

U. S. Ambassador-at-large Philip C. Jessup is scheduled to appear tomorrow morning before a Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee hearing to answer the assertions by Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.) that he has shown "unusual affinity for communist causes."

office Saturday. Of 6,111 members voting at Manhattan Center, the administration's bloc ticket pulled a high of 5,144. The Rank and File's high vote was 573.

In a post-election statement, the Rank and File charged that Manager Isidore Nagler placed himself in the polling place throughout the balloting, while the Rank and File was denied watchers. Prior to the election, the administration had rejected Rank and File proposals for Honest Ballot Association supervision; a bi-partisan election board, and prohibition of the use of union facilities by officials for electioneering.

The election marked the first use of bloc voting, under which members could vote for 52 candidates of the administration slate by making a cross at the top of the ballot. Rank and File spokesmen charged voters had been warned that if they spent more than a half-minute in the polling place, it would indicate they needed the time to split their ballot in order to vote for Rank and File candidates.

Other irregularities included the mailing of a facsimile ballot to members by the administration, on which the words "Opposition Communist Slate" were put where the Rank and File designation should have appeared. The Rank and File were prohibited from mailing sample ballots. The pro-administration election board also "forgot" to list the name of Rank and File Charles Nemerson, candidate for executive board, on the official ballot.

Irving Gotler, candidate for vice-president on the Rank and File slate, received 573 votes; Arnold Ames, for manager-secretary, 555; and George Weissman, for president, 548.

CITES NEGRO'S ROLE IN FUTURE OF SOUTH

The question of Negro political power in the South through what was termed a "third American revolution" was projected by John H. McCray, Negro editor and leader of the Progressive-Democratic Party in South Carolina, in a speech here Saturday night. McCray was one of the main speakers, along with Oscar R. Ewing, Federal Social Security Administrator, at a commemorative dinner honoring the publication in 1927 here of the first Negro newspaper, Freedom's Journal. The dinner was sponsored by the Press Club of New York City, a Harlem newsmen's organization, at the Skyline Room

Commager Backs Anti-Negro Passages in History Book

By Elihu S. Hicks

Henry Steele Commager, author and professor of History at Columbia University has rejected protests against anti-Negro passages in his book Growth of the American Republic, as the work of "troublemaker."

Co-authored by Commager and Samuel Eliot Morison, professor at Harvard, the book is the standard History 4 text at City College, and is used in colleges throughout the country. It states, in describing Negro slaves, "Topsy and Tom Sawyer's n . . . r (the book spells it out) Jim were nearer to the average childlike, improvident, humorous, prevaricating, and superstitious negro (spelled with a lower case n) than the unctuous Uncle Tom."

"They were childlike," declared Commager in his office at Columbia, "they were uneducated. They were improvident; they couldn't save anything because they were slaves. They were prevaricating; if you were a slave you would lie, too."

BACKS JIMCROW PASSAGE

Morison wrote that section, Commager claimed, but he (Commager) would stand by it.

"You (referring to this reporter and the Daily Worker) are doing the Negro people a great disservice" by attacking the book, he

said. "Both Morison and I have always been attacked by conservatives as radicals."

Morison, Commager announced, has changed some of the vocabulary under pressure of "oversensitive Negroes."

Meanwhile, at CCNY the Student Conference for Democracy in Education has demanded that the book be removed from the classrooms.

URGE BAN

The school chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has also demanded that the book be withdrawn. The Educational Committee of the Young Progressives of America is investigating other textbooks.

Prof. Joseph Wisan, chairman of the CCNY History Department, has promised to make an investigation and issue a statement.

Students report that the "investigation" consists of giving a questionnaire to Negro students, asking such irrelevant questions as "Are you a member of the Communist Party or Communist organizations like the YPA or the Labor Youth League?" Questions about the students' reaction to the book, the students said, are leading questions which don't permit them to express their views.

Rain-Making Just a Drizzle So Far, Says Weather Man

WASHINGTON, March 19 (UP).—After 200 experiments with artificial rain, the Weather Bureau is doubtful—but it isn't quitting.

Dr. F. W. Reichelderfer, chief of the bureau, told a House Appropriations subcommittee in testimony made public today that in two years of work they got 10 percent results.

In those cases, he added, rainfalls of .01 to .02 weren't enough to do much good for dry areas. But he said cautiously:

"I might add that we could believe the evidence is sufficient in a few cases for us to conclude the precipitation was due to artificial effects."

Reichelderfer advocated going

ahead with experiments to get the full story of whether seeding rain-filled clouds with dry ice or silver iodide will bring really beneficial downfalls.

He said the bureau's studies show many of the claims to making rain "are without real foundation" but that "some few of the claims may be justified."

Beat Raid Again At Bloomingdale

The independent Distributive Workers Union was recognized Friday as the bargaining agent for the 2,613 Bloomingdale Department Store employees after winning an NLRB election for the second time over the AFL Retail Clerks International Association.

The vote: Distributive Workers Union, 1,544.

AFL Retail Clerks, 842.

The commercial press, the store management, the radio and a Catholic Action group had united with the AFL leadership in a ferocious redbaiting attack on the independent union.

Last year a similar attack was launched on the DWU with the aim of destroying it as a militant union.

But the DWU won then in an NLRB election.

The NLRB then came to the rescue of the AFL Retail Clerks leadership by ordering another election.

Ask Dewey Oust Sheriff Scabs

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey was asked yesterday to remove deputy sheriffs from office who are being used in strikebreaking efforts at the K-B Products Corp., Inc., Hudson, N. Y.

The request came from Jack Rubenstein, New York State director of the CIO Textile Workers Union.

Rubenstein, in a telegram to Dewey, accused Warren Knaust, one of the plant's owners, of threatening strikers with a revolver.

The company, one of the largest growers of mushrooms in the world, has its main plant in Hudson, where 250 are employed.

people in this country live in families whose total income is between \$3,000 and \$5,000 a year." These people, he said, cannot afford medical costs to cope with any serious illness. Another 67 million or so live in families whose total income is below \$3,000 a year, and cannot afford to pay the full cost of even ordinary medical care, he pointed out.

Some 300 persons attended the dinner. The master of ceremonies was St. Clair Bourne, press representative of the State Committee Against Discrimination.

Other speakers included Rep. Jacob Javits (R-NY) and James Hicks, president of the Press Club of New York City.

An Appeal to Daily Worker Readers

To all readers of the Daily Worker:

A great decision rests in your hands.

The Daily Worker asks you to guarantee its continued publication by your decision to make up its present deficit. There is no other source, no other way this can be accomplished.

We are confident that, as in the past, your answer will insure long life to the

Daily Worker. Your splendid response to our recent subscription drive for the weekend Worker gives us this confidence.

Despite the successful subscription drive, and despite every possible economy we have made in the editorial and mechanical departments of this paper, there's an immediate \$175,000 deficit staring us in the face. Without that money the paper can't roll.

To the labor-hating, hell-bent-for-war newspapers of America such a sum of money is very small indeed. Ten days' advertisements in the New York Times would net a larger amount. But papers

like that get such money because they tried to break the miners' strike. Funds are available to them because they endorse the manufacture of the Hell Bomb. Their revenues come in because they support the headlong drive to a police state in the U. S.

Publishing a paper which stands uncompromisingly for labor is a continuing battle against the financial interests who would close us down.

What joy there would be in the camp of Rankin and McCarthy, Hearst and General Motors, Dubinsky and Reuther, if they could force the Daily Worker to

cease publication! And what a void would be created in American journalism!

What paper would then back back to the atomaniacs? Who would talk for the men and women in the shops? Who would talk for the Negro people and confound the lynchers and double-talkers about equal rights?

Our needs are urgent but we are calm and confident in your decision. Send us your contributions without delay.

JOHN GATES,
Editor, Daily Worker.

GOP Wavers on Rent Bill in Albany

Reuther States He Opposes Mundt Bill

DETROIT, March 19.—Walter Reuther, president of the CIO United Auto Workers, declared his opposition to the Mundt bill through a spokesman here this week. Other top UAW officials who protested against the bill included Joe McCusker, west side regional director and a spokesman for Mike Laeey, East Side regional director.

The general council of Ford Local 600, speaking for 65,000 Ford workers, unanimously condemned the bill.

Reuther declared his opposition to the bill in these words: "We're opposed to it for the same reasons the CIO is opposed to it. We opposed the Mundt-Nixon bill before. It could be used against labor."

Fifty-two leaders and members of Local 208, UAW, wired Sen. Ferguson demanding the bill be shelved.

Ten leaders, including the president, vice-president, and secretary of Local 262 UAW wired a protest against the Mundt bill.

Seventy students and seven faculty members at the University of Michigan signed a petition demanding the bill be killed. Prof. Preston Slossen, historian, declared the bill was unconstitutional.

WIRE FERGUSON

The Political Action Committee of UAW Dodge Local 3 sent the following telegram to Sen. Ferguson: "We urge you to do everything in your power to shelve or defeat the infamous Mundt-Ferguson bill."

Tony Cassara, vice-president, Chrysler Local 7, told the Daily Worker: "If the CIO nationally is on record against it, I'm against it."

Sam Sweet, educational director, Plymouth Local 51: "It smells of fascism."

Ned Coleman, president, Local 205: "We're all against it."

Harry Southwell, president, West Side Local 174: "My position is the same as the official CIO position."

James Chihocki, president of Briggs Local 742: "I'm against it. It's an anti-labor bill."

Vice-President Craig, Hudson Local 154, UAW: "I'm against it."

Ken Morris, President, Briggs Local 212: "I'm opposed to all types of repressive legislation."

Michigan CIO Backs Jobless Groups

DETROIT, March 18.—The Michigan CIO has announced full support to the nine-point program of the Upper Peninsular Rehabilitation and Economic Council. The UPREC consists of labor, community, farm, veteran and cooperative groups whose program aims at aiding the jobless.

By Michael Singer

ALBANY, March 19.—Prospects for defeat of the landlord decontrol bill appeared brighter tonight than at any time since the Stephens measure was introduced in the Legislature. A frenzied last-minute conference between Gov. Dewey and Republican legislative leaders was held in the Executive Mansion tonight, and it was authoritatively disclosed that GOP leaders were ready to accept amendments tightening up eviction and rent-boost loopholes.

Both parties, jockeying for political advantages in the November election, admitted rent control would be the major issue. As a result, bipartisan maneuvers to bypass effective state rent control showed signs of cracking under the two-week sustained offensive.

The campaign by the New York Tenants Council, Negro organizations, the American Labor Party and the Communist Party has put the Republican leadership here in a dilemma. Virtually certain of easy passage a week ago, the Republican-sponsored Stephens bill is now floundering.

With Wednesday the deadline for rollcalls—2:30 p.m. has been set for adjournment—the Legislature is being hammered in a crescendo of tenant protests against decontrol, higher-rent and eviction clauses in the Stephens measure. Tenant pressure has

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Cites CIO Policy

Well Done, CCNY!

AN EDITORIAL

Congratulations to the fighting basketball team of New York's City College, which swept through the field in the National Invitation Tourney. Typical of CCNY's great court tradition, the new national champions are working class graduates of our town's public high schools. Symbolic of that are co-captains Irwin Dambrot and Joe Galiber, white and Negro. Facing the same tough scholastic standards of all the students, studying as hard as they play, City's athletes are identified fully with their student body, a phenomeman reflected in the affectionate uproar they always receive from their gallery.

To veteran coach Nat Holman, to the gifted Ed Warner, young Negro sophomore voted the tourney's Most Valuable Player, to Irwin Dambrot, Ed Roman, Floyd Lane, Al Roth, Herb Cohen, Norm Mager, Joe Galiber, Ronnie Nadell, Mike Wittlin and the rest—well done!

Protests Against Mundt Bill Spread

Progressive Party Urges Protest Drive

The national committee of the Progressive Party, meeting here Saturday, instructed state and local affiliates to organize "vigorous protests" against the Mundt Bill.

"At the very same time the Administration boasts of its concern with individual liberties," the Progressive Party declared, "Administration senators voted with Republicans to destroy these liberties in the Senate Committee."

The party noted that a "determined campaign" halted the bill last year and stressed that "determined and widespread protest can stop the bill entirely."

Professionals Assail Bill as Treason

The New York Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions yesterday assailed the Mundt bill as "official treason to constitutional principles and democratic traditions."

It said in a statement that every physicist who warned of the destructive powers of the H-bomb was subject to prosecution under this law, as were artists for their paintings and teachers for advocating free examination of all philosophies.

CIO Shoe Workers Oppose Measure

The New York Joint Council of the CIO United Shoe Workers has demanded the defeat of the Mundt Bill, it was announced yesterday. Similar action was taken Monday night by a meeting of 500 shop chairmen of the union. The shop chairmen's meeting also resolved to rally a fight against the bill in the shops and among all shoe workers. The resolutions were addressed to Sens. Scott Lucas, Irving M. Ives and Herbert H. Lehman.

500 at Gary Rally

Special to the Daily Worker

GARY, Ind., March 18.—Five hundred people, at a mass meeting addressed by Mrs. Eslanda Robeson, last night unanimously voted to send wires to Congressional leaders urging defeat of the Mundt-Ferguson bill. The meeting, sponsored by the Progressive Party and the Civil Rights Congress, and held at the St. Paul Baptist Church, also called for outlawing atomic warfare.

DETROIT . . .

DETROIT, March 18.—The Political Action Committee of United Auto Workers Dodge Local 3 wired Sen. Homer Ferguson protesting the Mundt-Ferguson bill.

Fifty-two leaders and members of UAW Local 208 also wired demanding the bill be shelved. Ten union leaders of UAW Local 262, including the president, vice president, and secretary, wired protests to Senate leaders.

CHICAGO . . .

CHICAGO, March 19.—Prominent Chicagoans have joined the protest movement here against the police-state Mundt Bill.

Dr. Curtis Reese, director, Abraham Lincoln Center, declared: "I was opposed to it last year and I oppose it now. You cannot outlaw a political party."

Rev. Armand Guerrero: "The intent of the bill is to silence liberal opinion and regiment thought. I plan to get in touch with our Senators and tell them what I think of it."

Paul Annes, former president, City Club: "This is no better than the one we had in the previous Congress."

Dr. James Yard, retired President, Chicago Conference of Christians and Jews: "As a long-time member of the American Civil Liberties Union, I'm against the suppression of civil liberties."

Others wiring protests to Sen. Lucas included Mrs. Annie Oliver, National DuSable Memorial Society; Jackie Ormes, Feature

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Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX
Managing Editor

Every Friday—the day our School Page appears—the Daily Worker is sold near schools at three o'clock when mothers come to pick up their children. Also after PTA meetings.

One woman took fifteen papers to sell in front of child care center. In five minutes she sold seven and then distributed the rest.

One canvasser was selling Daily Workers near a school. A woman came over, asked what she was selling and when she heard it was the DW, said "Oh!" and turned away. A second woman, over-hearing her, said indignantly, "So what! Read it. What are you afraid of?" The canvasser sold two Dailies right there.

And here's a letter from Mrs. B. R.—

"I have wanted to write to tell you how happy I was to see the school page. I am not a new reader of the Daily Worker but with the introduction of the page I felt a new interest in it. Its greatest value to me has been to see that other parents are worrying about the same things I am and are ready to do something about it."

Today's POINT of ORDER

We can expect that Secretary of State Acheson will insist next that there can't be any peace talks until the Soviet Union withdraws its fleet from the moon.

Binghamton Mayor Hits Mundt Bill

(Reprinted from late edition of The Worker)

BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—Mayor Donald W. Kramer voiced doubts on the Mundt bill as he refused to yield to demands to deny a sound truck permit to the Broome County Communist Party. Kramer told reporters that while he didn't want to make an "off-the-cuff" judgement on the bill, "the trouble is, such legislation usually contains a joker and outlaws other minorities. It's easy to attach the label 'subversive' to such groups."

Steubenville . . .

STEUBENVILLE, O.—The local branch of the National Association for the advancement of Colored People has gone on record against the Mundt bill.

Boston . . .

BOSTON—The CIO National Maritime Union branch here has adopted a resolution condemning the Mundt bill, as has the district convention of the CIO United Packing House Workers. The Progressive Party of Massachusetts has launched a telephone campaign for thousands of wires and letters to Congress.

Cleveland . . .

CLEVELAND—The executive committees of the Cleveland Lawyers Guild and the Cleveland Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions have urged their members to speak out against the Mundt bill.

Bridgeport . . .

BRIDGEPORT, Conn.—Hundreds of telegrams are going from Connecticut communities to Sens. McMahon and Benton, calling for defeat of the Mundt bill. At Yale University, New Haven, a petition campaign against the measure is in the works.

Norwalk . . .

NORWALK, Conn.—Local 146 of the Hodcarriers and Laborers Union, AFL, unanimously adopted a resolution calling on the Senate to defeat the Mundt bill. Similar action was taken by the local People's Party and Civil Rights Congress.

Jamestown . . .

JAMESTOWN, N. Y.—The Tri-County Herald, official organ of AFL, CIO and independent unions in this area, charged in a front-page editorial that the Mundt police-state, thought-control

measure, like all sedition bills, perils all labor." It called for united action to defeat the bill.

Lackawanna . . .

LACKAWANNA, N. Y.—A rank and file Steelworkers Committee to Fight the Mundt Bill has been set up here with support from all sections of the workers. A bosses' attempt to create a "Permanent Citizens Committee to Combat Communism" fizzled despite an assist from the red-baiting Buffalo Evening News.

Canton . . .

CANTON, O.—Ohio State Representative Ed Witmer has informed U. S. Senator Robert A. Taft of his opposition to the Mundt bill. Witmer is chairman of the State House Labor Committee.

Hartford . . .

HARTFORD—The executive board of the American Jewish Congress and its men's division, representing several thousand Jewish citizens here, have come out against the Mundt bill. The executive board named a committee of three to publicize the dangers of the bill and to alert the membership.

Utica . . .

UTICA, N. Y.—The Oneida County American Labor Party has protested against the Mundt bill, as have the local Young Progressives of America, and the International Workers Order.

Philadelphia . . .

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—The executive board of Local 155, United Electrical Workers, representing 4,000 workers in 50 tool, die, and machine shops has voted to oppose the Mundt bill. The Philadelphia chapter of the NAACP took similar action at its regular membership meeting.

Urge Writers to Join Fight

The American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists called on all American writers and other professionals to exert their influence to expose the "fascistic concept behind the Mundt bill." A spokesman for the committee announced that a delegation of prominent Jewish writers, artists and scientists will call on New York Senators Lehman and Ives to urge that they act to prevent the Mundt bill from coming to the Senate floor.

Bid Union Make Ford Promote Negro Workers

DEARBORN, March 19.—A plant wide campaign to upgrade Negro workers out of the hardest, dirtiest and hottest jobs at Ford's Rouge plant has been called for by George Knight and Robert Sampson, union leaders of the Cold Heading unit of United Auto Workers, Local 600.

The two union leaders said, "throughout its history the Ford Company has followed a policy of discrimination in hiring and in placing workers on jobs."

The union leaders proposed that the Ford local's executive board set up a committee on job discrimination whose duties would be:

- To meet with company representatives and direct a campaign with the local to the end that workers from the Foundry, the Frame job and other segregated areas be given the first chance at filling jobs opened as a result of the pensions.
- To combat by means of negotiation, publicity, protest petitions and any other means necessary, the company policy of channeling Negro workers mainly to certain jobs when they are hired.

Beat Raid Again At Bloomingdale

The independent Distributive Workers Union was recognized Friday as the bargaining agent for the 2,613 Bloomingdale Department Store employees after winning an NLRB election for the second time over the AFL Retail Clerks International Association.

The vote: Distributive Workers Union, 1,544.

AFL Retail Clerks, 842. The commercial press, the store management, the radio and a Catholic Action group had united with the AFL leadership in a ferocious redbaiting attack on the independent union.

Last year a similar attack was launched on the DWU with the aim of destroying it as a militant union.

But the DWU won then in an NLRB election.

The NLRB then came to the rescue of the AFL Retail Clerks leadership by ordering another election.

Cops Run Amok At Denver Cafe

By Robert Trujillo

DENVER, March 19.—The Chihuahua Cafe at 2138 Larimer St., whose owner is Mrs. Lucy Rodarte, was the place where on Sunday morning a week ago, Denver police unleashed a brutal attack on Mexican-Americans.

Mrs. Rodarte and her two sons, Cecil, a Denver University student, and Joseph, whose wife is expecting a second child, gave me the following information:

On that Sunday morning, around 2 a.m. three young boys, who were intoxicated, came into the cafe and started a disturbance. One of the Rodarte girls, who is a waitress, went next door and called the police. When three policemen ar-

rived, Cecil had already convinced the three boys to leave. The police were met at the cafe entrance by Cecil, who started to explain that everything was all right but one of the cops, swung a blow at his face, felled him to the sidewalk. hit him with his gun and pointed the gun at him.

Mrs. Rodarte's daughter ran out to plead with the police not to kill her brother, but was met with a blow at her breast which knocked her down.

When Cecil regained consciousness, he and his brother, Joseph, were taken to the police station, where police grabbed Joseph, hit him behind his ear and again hit him on his face, which resulted in a broken nose and black right eye. Cecil was then sent to Denver General Hospital.

PHONY CHARGES

The two boys are charged with vagrancy, drunkenness, disturbance and resisting arrest. These charges were made up by the police to justify their brutality against these boys and their sister solely because they are Mexican Americans.

According to Joseph, his brother Cecil was asked by one of the policemen: "What do you do in Denver?" to which Cecil answered, "I am a student at Denver University." The policeman remarked sarcastically, "Oh you're Communists, eh."

Attorney Samuel Menin has the boys out on bail and has been granted a hearing.

According to Mrs. Rodarte, the Denver chapter of the National Mexican-American Association is swinging into action for a mass campaign to get these policemen dismissed. Funds to help in this drive should be sent to the Association at 3112 West Colfax Ave., Denver. Protests are also urged to Chief of Police Herbert Forsyth, Police Building, Denver, and to Mayor Quigg Newton, City and County Building, Denver.

SPY SINGS; DENVER POST FOUND GUILTY BY NLRB AID

DENVER, March 19 (FP).—An NLRB trial examiner has upheld charges of labor spying and unfair labor practices filed against the Denver Post by the Denver CIO Newspaper Guild.

Examiner Horace A. Ruckel's findings were based on extensive hearings held here last November. His recommendations have not gone into effect pending an appeal to the NLRB by management.

The NLRB official recommended, that the Post cease and desist from the unfair labor practices and that it reinstate with suitable com-

pensation a former employee, Oscar Liden, to the job he held before he was discriminated against.

Management's agent was a guild member, James Ashe, who succeeded in preventing a strike vote early in 1948 because it might prevent his assignment to Latin America for a series of articles. When management pressured Ashe to continue his spying activities, he made a complete confession to a union membership meeting of his relationship with Post management.

Peacetime K-Rations Back For GI Students

PORTLAND, Ore., March 19 (FP).—GI students are returning to wartime K rations in order to stay alive—and remain in school—in jobless Oregon.

Derroll Adams, a student at the Portland Art Museum, whose subsistence allowance has not yet come through, said he and a number of other veterans are living on a protein derivative obtained at a local health food store.

The product, a concentrated and dehydrated powdery substance said to contain vitamins, soy bean concentrates and protein derivatives, costs 49 cents a can. Four tablespoons, mixed with a glass of water and taken with a raw carrot to add bulk, makes a "meal."

Adams estimated that a can of the stuff lasts four days. Sure he gets hungry and he looks the other way when he passes restaurants and grocery stores, but the improvised K ration has so far kept him from collapsing in class.

Other students, who have found their \$75 monthly subsistence allowance insufficient to cover three squares a day in addition to rent, clothing and incidentals, are supplementing regular meals with the ration. Federated Press was told,

Job Crisis Persists In Oregon 'Upturn'

PORTLAND, Ore., March 19.—The expected spring spurt in lumber—Oregon's basic industry—has failed to solve the jobless crisis. In nine of 12 counties, from 12 percent to 20 percent of the total labor force

is still unemployed, a Federated Press survey revealed. In only three is the jobless figure under the 12 percent mark recognized by Federal agencies as the danger point.

The worst unemployment problems are in Clatsop and Hood River, where 20 percent of the workers are unable to find jobs.

Faced with the hard facts, state employment commission spokesmen have had to stop talking about the spring pickup in lumber as a "way out." Now they are pinning their hopes on "seasonal agricultural jobs" to have the situation.

In the Portland area, unemployment has hovered near the danger percentage point for three months. Throughout the state, jobless insurance recipients are exhausting benefits at the rate of 1,000 weekly. In January the amount of compensation paid to unemployed workers was double the previous January figure.

Despite continued joblessness, local area employment officials

dislike using the word "critical" to describe the situation. It might cause "undue alarm," they say.

Union officials, however, ignoring this hush-hush attitude, have called for a public works program to provide jobs in the distressed areas. Among those to speak up on the issues are business agent Eugene Tucker of Local 5-3, CIO. Woodworkers president R. S. Lueck of the Albany Trades & Labor Council and secretary J. L. Foote of Local 285, Hod Carriers Building & Common Laborers Union (AFL).

According to Foote, two-thirds of his membership is on the rocks "and the same goes for carpenters and painters down here."

At Eugene, in Oregon's top lumber producing county, a local official of the AFL Lumber & Sawmill Workers said "the union hiring hall is jammed right now with non-union members seeking work in the mills and there is none for them."

Ask Dewey Oust Sheriff Scabs

Gov. Thomas E. Dewey was asked yesterday to remove deputy sheriffs from office who are being used in strikebreaking efforts at the K-B Products Corp., Inc., Hudson, N. Y.

The request came from Jack Rubenstein, New York State director of the CIO Textile Workers Union.

Rubenstein, in a telegram to Dewey, accused Warren Knaust, one of the plant's owners, of threatening strikers with a revolver.

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Around the Globe

By Joseph Clark

U.S. Exports Witchhunts To Israel

PERHAPS ONE WORD would summarize the needs of the new state of Israel more than anything else—that word is independence. Recent developments in that struggling new nation have created dangers grave to its future flourishing as a nation standing on its own feet and controlled by its own people.

Like any of the nations which have been fighting for their freedom from foreign control, building its economy is a primary concern. In 1949 a huge amount of capital was invested in Israel, \$241,000,000. But a danger signal for the tiny country is that major reliance is being placed by the Israel government on investments by Wall Street firms. The publication *Economic Horizons*, issued by the Jewish Agency for Palestine, boasts in its February issue:

"From the U. S. alone, about \$2,000,000 of private capital is going into industry in Israel per month. With few exceptions, such as countries with valuable oil and mineral resources, no other foreign country is receiving from the U. S. as much private capital as is Israel."

In addition to this private U. S. capital, the U. S. government has extended a loan of \$100,000,000 through the Export-Import Bank. And who will be so naive as to think that Wall Street's dollars are not dollars for diplomacy and control wherever they are invested? Facts show that the Ben Gurion government has tipped the scales more and more in the direction of the U. S. State Department in international and domestic affairs.

MOST DANGEROUS to Israel's independence and welfare has been the importation of the witchhunt together with American dollars. Thus, a cable to the New York Times from Tel Aviv on March 8 reports that the government has suppressed an issue of the Communist paper, *Kol Ha'am*. What was the "crime" committed by the paper?

Kol Ha'am had criticized the government's anti-Communist campaign and witchhunt patterned on the Dies Committee's activities here. The particular article in the paper had noted that such witchhunts went on wherever countries are "under American protection."

An ugly record of persecution is being built up by a government of a land whose people are passionately devoted to freedom. On Feb. 22, an unemployed demonstration in Nazareth was attacked by police with gunfire.

Communist and Mapam (United Workers Party) representatives in the Israeli parliament (Knesset) demanded an investigation of this attack. Government leaders, of the ruling party, Mapai, which is similar to Social Democratic parties all over the world, replied by proposing an investigation of Communist activities.

An immediate result of the setting up of this "Dies Committee" was the arrest of two Communists, Yuri Winter and Gustav Golubner, on charges of "espionage." Winter was one of six persons out on bail following their arrest for taking part in a series of protest demonstrations in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, Jan. 28-30, against Henry Morgenthau's call for a Middle East version of the anti-Soviet Atlantic Pact.

Indicative of how the flow of dollars has been accompanied by the introduction of U. S. government style police measures is the persecution of the paper *Kol Ha'am*. The editors have been ordered to stand trial before a Knesset committee for criticizing Prime Minister Ben Gurion's speeches as "treason against the nation and the working class."

ALSO AWAITING TRIAL is Meir Villner, member of the Knesset and secretary of the Communist Party, for giving the lie to one of Ben Gurion's red-baiting attacks.

However, together with the persecutions, there is a lively progressive movement in Israel, expressed primarily in the campaign for peace. The news agency Telepress reports from Tel Aviv that 734 Jewish and Arab delegates attended a peace conference there last week. Tel Aviv's biggest hall, Bethhaam, was packed to three times its capacity by delegates and guests to Israel's first National Peace Conference.

THIS IS TO ACKNOWLEDGE \$2 from "Pepi" for the Daily Worker drive, via this column. What do our other readers say and how much will they say?

VIRGIL



By Len Kleis

World of Labor

By George Morris

Curran Machine Gives Forth Familiar Odor

THE ARREST of two of Joe Curran's top henchmen on grand larceny indictments for wholesale operation of a union membership book sales racket, is another indication of the corruption and degeneration that festers in the National Maritime Union's controlling machine. Events in the NMU as they have developed since July, 1948 when Curran's gang took control, confirm the truism that those who advance under the flag of red-baiting bring with them racketeers, crooks, gangsters, murderers, employer agents and similar characters.

The NMU's members who lived through the pre-war days once went through the costly experience when a gang, headed by one Jerome (King) Medeiros, seized the key posts and ran things exactly as Curran does now. When their number was up, these characters sought to hold the offices with the aid of a baseball bat brigade. When they were finally run out and the red-baiting smoke blew away, the NMU's members discovered that the people who ran their union for a while, were on the payroll as spies for shipping companies and fink agencies.

The latest crack, which may bring out far more dirt than is already apparent, involves Herbert De Jesus who was elected on Curran's slate in 1948 as patrolman, an \$80-a-week post, and Frank Di Martini, whom Curran appointed as night dispatcher in September at \$70 a week after his machine fired Ernest Kruze, the ELECTED progressive. De Jesus was one of Curran's key caucus hatchetmen, and even now is listed and mugged in the union's journal, the *Pilot*, as candidate for patrolman at Galveston. Under his picture is his platform: "I am 100 percent supporter of the present administration and will back President Curran in all policies."

DI MARTINI QUALIFIED for his leading role in the Curran caucus after an admirable record of nearly 20 years that began with a burglary conviction in 1930. Then came attempted rape, and, while the latter charge was still pending, he was convicted on assault and sent to Elmira penitentiary. Then came a series of arrests on what is technically called "indecent exposure" as late as 1944. With a record like that, the Curranites apparently concluded, he should make an excellent night dispatcher.

De Jesus and Di Martini did right for themselves, according to District Attorney Hogan. Records show they sold 125 fake books at an average price of \$200 each. The books inspected showed that their purchasers voted on them and attended meetings. How many others were engaged in the business, how they obtained the books remains to be disclosed.

It is significant that Curran and treasurer M. Hedley Stone had been very diligent in seizing the books of all those whom they sought to oust from the union as "Communists." But they professed ignorance of this book-selling racket which was going on for a year in their machine.

NOW CURRAN tries to clear himself of responsibility, as if he never knew these characters. His filibustering "explanation" Thursday night came when a rank-and-filer, Emmett MacGuire, commented on a report of the union's sad financial situation despite a recent dues hike. He asked what the machine men did with all the money that came in from book selling. A thunderous applause greeted the question. It was when he called for a rank-and-file investigating committee that the machine hastily adjourned the meeting.

The scandal won't blow over. And Curran won't get away with his attempt to turn the scandal into a "Puerto Rican issue" to slander a section of the union that has been very much victimized by his hiring discrimination policy. When such filth comes out into the open it is a sign that the Curran machine is beginning to fall apart, as all such combinations inevitably do. There is a better chance than ever to restore the union to the membership in the voting due to begin April 1.

The basic condition for a rank-and-file victory in the election is unity of all the honest anti-Curran forces. There is no doubt that the Curranites will try every trick in their bag to prevent such unity. They still play on the red-baiting that still poisons some of those who broke away from the machine. At this point, when the rottenness of the Curran machine is so apparent, any disruption within the still loose coalition against the controlling clique, is actual help to the Curranites.

Press Fund Drive: \$2 from "Pepi."

Letters from Readers

Offer Platform To Buried Talent

NEW YORK.

Editor, Daily Worker:

The call is out to all local singers, instrumentalists, and song writers who wish to appear in Sunday Whing-Ding sessions sponsored by People's Artists.

Here we give those artists whose talents have as yet not been fully appreciated by a public audience the opportunity to perform and present new material before an audience consisting of People's Artists members, fellow performers, and the general public.

So it's every Sunday afternoon at the Peoples Artist's Studio, 106 East 14th St., at 2 p.m. Admission for the public is 25 cents. Performers are requested to bring their own accompaniment and come at 1:30 p.m. Share the stage with Pete Seeger, Betty Sanders, Bob Claiborne, Sylvia Kahn and others.

ROBERT RENNICK,
People's Artists.

Protests to FCC On Robeson Ban

NEW YORK

Editor, Daily Worker:

It was shocking to learn that such an important institution of public information as the NBC television, which functions under government permission, has violated a basic American principle—freedom of speech. The unwarranted canceling of Paul Robeson's appearance on Mrs. Roosevelt's program is in keeping with totalitarian thought control.

Barring Mr. Robeson from participating in a democratic discussion on a very vital issue shows that the officials of the National Broadcasting Co. will allow no expression of opinions which differ basically from their own.

I have protested this action to Charles R. Denny of NBC, and I am communicating with the Federal Communications Commission objecting to this violation of freedom of speech and opinion.

SOL VAIL,

Executive Secretary,
International Workers Order.

Press Roundup

THE TIMES naturally wants no let-down in the "spy" hunt. But it asks what sort of persons we may expect to have in public employment if every federal appointee "is tried like a suspected criminal before he takes up his work and is thereafter likely at any moment to be assailed and denounced like an escaped convict...? Have some of the paper's editorial instructions returned "to plague the inventor?"

THE HERALD TRIBUNE says Secretary Acheson is "on the right track" when he states "China's internal problems are China's own business," while at the same time declining to say "how far the United States will go in China to back up its warning" that the U. S. will intervene against what it would consider "subversive."

COMPASS editor Ted O. Thackrey says of Secretary

Acheson's seven points: "If these were, indeed, the minimum conditions for peace, the conditions were, in themselves, simply a declaration that peace was impossible, war inevitable."

THE POST offers the amazing advice that the real estate lobby "is still in business."

THE MIRROR'S Dr. Ruth Alexander presents the cock-eyed view of Wall Street bowing out as the "power behind the throne of politics."

THE NEWS gives GOP House leader Rep. Joseph W. Martin a big pat on the back for putting a \$10 billion "price tag" on the terrible "welfare state goodies," such as watered down housing and library aid programs.

COMING: The Dean of Canterbury Writes on World Peace... in The Worker This Weekend

President—Benjamin J. Davis, Jr.; Secretary-Treas.—Howard C. Boldt
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Showdown on Rent Control

A LISTLESS State legislative session has turned into a tumultuous battleground in the fight to save rent control. This has knocked into a cocked hat the Republican-Democratic plan for a quiet do-nothing session which would leave both parties unscarred for the vital 1950 elections.

The situation is still fluid. The outcome will be determined by the degree of militant action and unity of the people in the next few days. Of key importance is the initiative of the Tenants' Council, the American Labor Party, the Communist Party, labor and the Negro people's organizations in the next few days. This, and only this, can prevent a sham battle in which the Democrats make political hay while the people get only rent increases and evictions!

What must be done to defeat this raid on the people's pocketbooks?

FIRST, it must be clearly understood that the Dewey rent control bill paves the way both for blanket rent rises and wholesale evictions in the near future, and for an end to ALL rent control soon after Election Day. After July 1, 1950, the rent "czar" would be free to establish regulations (based on a so-called "survey") similar to those under which Tighe Woods has gutted Federal rent control. More. After Dec. 1, 1950, there is a "guaranteed" general rent rise based on an increase in the tax rate—expected throughout the state. In addition, the Rent Commissioner is instructed to draw up a plan after Jan. 15, 1951, for an "orderly return" to a "free" market. In plain words, this means, "End rent control!"

Even the conservative New York City Bar Association has denounced the eviction regulations as paving the way for wholesale evictions.

Boarding houses and hotels, in which large numbers of Negro people are forced to live, are not recontrolled. At the same time, the failure to decrease rents for lack of services hits hardest at the Negro and Puerto Rican people, jammed into the worst housing by segregation.

These proposals would wipe out the gains forced by the tenants and the ALP, aided by former Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, under the present New York City rent laws.

Labor must speak out and make clear that it will not accept this wage cut! Tenants must make clear they will resist rent increases under any form and will refuse to pay them!

SECOND, the people's forces must have neither a feeling of hopelessness or illusions about what it takes to win this fight. They are up against the Wall Street real estate crowd.

Yet rent control is political dynamite. New York City Republicans who have turned a deaf ear to every other plea are frankly worried. With sufficient pressure, some breaks can be forced in the Republican ranks. Three Republican votes in the Senate could prevent passage of the Dewey-landlord bill. The Democrats can be forced to fight.

The Tenants' Council, headed by Paul L. Ross, has prepared a whole series of amendments and will insist that the fight be conducted to the very end, amendment by amendment. Progressive Democrats such as Senator Fred G. Moritt, have indicated their willingness to conduct such a fight. Congressman Vito Marcantonio has thrown the full weight of the ALP into the battle. The State CIO, the Citizens Housing Council, NAACP, settlement houses and other organizations are opposing the Republican bill.

What is needed is a torrent of protests which can overwhelm this plot against the people. Thousands of wires should be sent to Governor Dewey and to local legislators, demanding genuine rent control and protection against evictions for tenants. The people must be on hand as the debate begins on Tuesday. Tenants will leave New York City 7:30 Tuesday morning, Grand Central Station, for Albany. Pressure should continue, without end. There can be no giving up in this fight.

ACHESON'S 7 POINTS

By Fred Ellis



As We See It

Democrats Failed to Defend FDR Policies Against McCarthy

By Rob F. Hall WASHINGTON.



WHEN THE SENATE committee recessed after five days of hearings, it was Sen. Joe McCarthy, the Republican, and not the Democrats who squirmed embarrassedly in the witness chair and wiped nervous sweat from his brow. Superficially, at least, it was

an ignoble end for that brilliant crusade against "Communism" which began with McCarthy boasting that he would name 81 "disloyal" officials of the State Department. Instead "Jumping Joe," as he has been called by his hometown Milwaukee Journal, presented nine "cases" and surrendered. To save face, he handed the committee approximately 100 names of present or former State Department employees and said, in effect, "You investigate them. I'm through."

There was nothing new in the nine cases upon which he submitted "evidence." They involved some names which they have bandied about in the House Un-American Committee and which have been denounced on the floor of Congress by McCarthy's Republican colleagues, namely Sen. Wherry, Rep. Dondero, Rep. Busbey and others.

Much of the "evidence" against them came from material previously published in such professional red-baiting organs as Plain Talk and the Knights of Columbus magazine. With the exception of one unnamed homosexual, the crime charged against department employees was varying degrees of enthusiasm for one or the other New Deal policies of Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

MCCARTHY'S SHOTGUN technique since it enjoys such universal use these days, requires examination. It begins by falsely defining disloyalty as somehow related to the Communist Party and its policies. It then defines as "Communist activity" or "Communist proclivity," support for any policies which are or have been supported by Communists. Organizations or committees formed to promote various planks in the New Deal program are then designated as "Communist fronts."

Inasmuch as the progressive domestic policies and the anti-fascist foreign policies of FDR were supported by Communists along with a host of the better government officials, the rocks and mud which McCarthy hurls are aimed at a very broad target.

Almost all the persons named

by McCarthy are now vigorous champions of President Truman's cold war. They are more active, and perhaps more effective, as agents of Secretary of State Acheson in trying to throw obstacles into the path of the leftward moving peoples of the world than McCarthy ever will be. They are being vilified for what, for most of them, was the most decent phase of their political careers.

The significant fact, however, is that neither these individuals nor the Democratic Administration show any desire to defend the Roosevelt policies which are essentially the target of McCarthy and the GOP. Although Truman and his party claim the inheritance of the Roosevelt tradition, they prefer to remain silent on the real issues McCarthy has raised. They confine their defense to demonstrating how violently anti-Communist and anti-Soviet they are at heart.

THIS IS THE APOLOGY made for Judge Dorothy Kenyon, for instance, who McCarthy said, was a member of 28 "Communist Fronts." Friendly columnists excused her as a "joiner" or a "do-gooder" who has learned her lesson. They did not point out something which in these times should be shouted to the rooftops—that no one need ever apologize in America for being active in organizations formed to help labor, aid political prisoners, support democracy, defend the rights of the Negro people and curb fascism.

In the case of Gustavo Duran, a naturalized Spaniard who fought in the Republican army against Franco, the attitude of democratic nations toward the Hitler-sponsored insurrection is the real issue. McCarthy was able to quote a report by the intelligence service of Franco's

army against Duran, and get away with it. No one in the Administration made the point that regardless of present State Department policies, to be anti-Franco was at one time both respectable and laudable. Among a majority of the American people, it is still so.

THE "EVIDENCE" against Owen Lattimore, Haldore Hanson, and John W. Service is mainly their active support for FDR's policy in China during the middle 1940's. All three, I believe, foresaw in the late 1930's that the corrupt Chiang Kai-shek government not only would offer no serious resistance to the Japanese but also could not command for long the support of the Chinese people. They therefore backed FDR's efforts to bolster the war against Japan by broadening the Chinese Kuomintang government. For them, as for Roosevelt, this meant including middle-of-the-road liberals and the even Chinese Communists, the latter having been recognized even by hard-bitten military men as the most reliable anti-Japanese fighters in all of the Far East.

This policy was never carried through. But its opposite—unlimited aid to Chiang—has been demonstrated as bankrupt. Obviously, Service, Lattimore and Hanson could make an excellent case for Roosevelt's approach to the China question.

The fact of the matter, however, is that the Truman Administration has evaded McCarthy's basic challenge. It does not defend the Roosevelt policies because it has abandoned them. In turning its back on FDR's insistence on Big Three unity, it has proceeded far along the atomic war path that McCarthy also represents.

Therefore, while McCarthy squirmed and sweated when the hearing ended its first phase, he was not the defeated man he appeared. He had achieved something more valuable to the GOP than his immediate objective of pillorying a few State Department officials. He had struck a crafty and undefended blow against the Roosevelt democratic tradition.



Bare 75 G's Daily Policy Take at Ford

By William Allan

DEARBORN, March 19.—Police seized number slips going into the giant Rouge Ford plant this week that indicated a daily take of \$75,000 to \$100,000 from Ford workers.

The police stopped two men in a car when they ignored a stop sign and discovered the betting

slips in 70 separate packages. On each package was the name of the person who handles them inside the plant. The arrested men, Walter Michelski and Anthony R. Mayes, were wearing Ford Rouge badges. The company said it didn't know how they had gotten them.

Such a vast take required a great number of people inside the

plant to handle but the company made the usual claim that it's all a great surprise.

Two years ago a person was arrested for alleged connection with the numbers rackets. Dearborn Chief of Police Guy demanded a grand jury investigation.

John S. Bugas, former FBI

chief, now company vice president, and the then Wayne County prosecuting attorney, James McNally declared there was no need for a grand jury to investigate numbers games in the Rouge plant.

Police here were silent on whether they would conduct a full scale investigation of numbers rackets in the Rouge.

UE Wins Election at Chicago Machine Shop

CHICAGO, March 19.—Local 1114 of the United Electrical Workers won a victory in an NLRB election at the Danley Machine Shop here, getting 427 votes to 97 for the International Association of Machinists and 182 for the Independent Machine Workers. The company had refused to negotiate a new contract with UE and the union demanded the election.



Foreign Briefs

Charges U.S. Recruits Spies at Ellis Island

LONDON, March 19 (Telepress).—Authorities at Ellis Island in New York harbor are recruiting spies among the interned Europeans, it was charged by Richard James Rae, who was deported to England for trade union activities.

Rae was interned four and a half months on Ellis Island. He said the internees were offered American citizenship if they agreed to act as intelligence agents.

World Youth Begin Peace Week

A world youth week for peace is being celebrated this week in many lands, the World Federation of Democratic Youth announces. In a message to young partisans of peace from its Paris headquarters, the Federation appealed for unity of Catholic, Socialist, Communist and all youth regardless of politics or religion.

German Dockers Won't Unload U.S. Arms

BERLIN, March 19 (Telepress).—When West German dockers refused to unload American war material, over 14,000 tons were unloaded in Bremerhaven by U.S. soldiers in February. The port was completely cut off from civilians, and converted into a "special zone" where only American troops are admitted.

Italian Troops Refuse to Fight Workers

TRIESTE, March 19 (Telepress).—Military units at Florence refused to suppress workers' demonstrations recently, it has just been revealed. The first unit after leaving the barracks found out what they were to be used for, threw away their arms and refused to march against the workers. Further units refused to leave the barracks.

At Venice the workers disarmed police units which tried to disperse demonstrations. The workers delivered the police arms to the Venice Mayor after the demonstration was finished.

Ask Why U. S. Aides Linger in China

PEKING, March 19 (Telepress).—"Why have the large number of personnel of the former United States consulates in China not withdrawn from China in accordance with the order issued by the United States government?" This is the query now being made by the Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of China.

An official statement reported by New China News Agency cites an "astonishing delay" in the withdrawal of United States officials, in view of the intimidating tone of the United States withdrawal announcement. "The personnel have up to now shown no signs of moving," continues the statement. The spokesman asks if the United States government secretly regrets its statement and envisages having to ask for permission shortly to re-enter China.

Many Australian Unions Stay in WFTU

SYDNEY, March 19 (ALN).—Major national unions in Australia are declaring their individual adherence to the World Federation of Trade Unions, despite the withdrawal from membership of the parent Australian Council of Trade Unions, to which they belong. The Waterside Workers Federation and the Australian Seamen's Union complete affiliation some time ago to the WFTU. Seamen's Dockers International. The Australian Miners Federation and the Building Workers Industrial Union have also voted to affiliate.

Canada Jobless Stage Demonstration

OTTAWA, March 19 (ALN).—Government refusal to act on the deepening unemployment crisis has led to demonstrations by Canadian jobless and the organization of unions for unemployed workers. According to organized labor, from 400,000 to 450,000 are without work.

A National Committee of Unemployed Organizations was set up here early in March by delegates from Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa, Quebec City and St. Catharines.

War Base Being Built in Belgian Congo

CAPETOWN, (Telepress).—A military base is being built at Kamina in the Belgian Congo. The Kamina base will include airfields, barracks and other military installations on a total area of 50,000 hectares.

Report Guerillas Gain in Malaya

SINGAPORE, March 19 (Telepress).—Further evidence of continuing guerilla successes in Malaya is contained in a report just issued by the Rubber Growers' Association. The report states that guerilla activity was steadily increasing towards the close of last year and that "notwithstanding all the steps that have been taken, security forces are unable to consolidate areas which were thought at one time to be free" of guerillas.

Rent

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forced a solid Democratic opposition to the bill and minority party amendments. A panicky Republican majority, having failed to sell the Stephens legislation as "good for tenants," is now desperately trying to manipulate its way out of a hole.

TENANTS' VIGIL

The mass Tenants Lobby due here Tuesday is expected to hold vigil until adjournment, and will be the decisive factor in the situation.

Democratic leaders are falling over themselves in their desire to appear as "saviors" of the tenants while Republicans, with their majority in both houses, are trying to prove that amendments can pass only with their support.

A new danger to effective state rent control was the reported coup d'etat strategy in the Westchester Republican "revolt" against the Stephens Bill. Some legislative observers said the so-called "stand-by" legislation introduced by Westchester Republican Sen. Williamson and Assemblyman Wilson was deliberately designed to block any rent bill of any kind.

Their reasoning went something like this: The six-man Westchester bloc with solid Democratic opposition can kill the Stephens bill. The Democratic rent bill appears doomed. The Williamson-Wilson measure has no support beyond the six Westchester votes.

Suppose all three bills are defeated? There would then be the proposal of New York State being left without any kind of rent bill. These observers believe that reports of Dewey cracking the whip to force Republican legislators into line behind the Stephens bill was a coverup for the overall strategy to kill all rent legislation, even the limited one-year freeze set in the Stephens bill.

TENANTS' OBJECTIVE

That the big objective of the tenant groups—to force amendments to the Stephens bill—has had effect was seen on Friday, however, when Democratic Assembly leader Irwin Steingut and City Temporary Rent Commission chairman Charles G. Coster told this reporter they intended to "fight and fight hard" for adequate state rent control. Rank-and-file legislators were showing more resistance to the landlord features of the Republican measure and there were increased demands by Democrats that their party hold out for the suggested amendments.

It was clear that the Democrats would like to stem public reaction to the Truman administration by enacting a decent state rent bill. A leading Democratic legislator told us that two U. S. Senators had emphasized to him the hopelessness of extending the Federal rent act beyond July 1.

Republicans are inclined to support compromise measures in order to boast that their majority saved rent control.

Such political jockeying, having no altruistic or principled tenant purposes, can be used, nonetheless, to enact a number of key amendments to the Stephens bill. The fight from now to adjournment, if supported by an all-out demonstration in Albany, can win these amendments.

AROUND THE GLOBE, a column of news and analysis by Joseph Clark, Daily Worker foreign editor, appears every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Indo-Chinese Battle Police

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Nam" (Bao Dai) flags and burned a puppet government vehicle.

Demonstrations appeared simultaneously throughout the city and apparently were well-planned. One started in the dock area near the American ships—300 students shouting anti-Wall Street slogans. Steel-helmeted police attacked this group and the students hurled bricks and bottles back at them.

Others turned over a dozen buses, and broke into shops and tore down American flags flown by quiescent shopkeepers. The latter tried frantically to save their goods from the flames by loading them into taxicabs and rickshaws.

Firemen were not able to control the quickly spreading flames in the market area. All police reserves were called out, armored cars went into action and trucks loaded with troops rushed into the area.

According to United Press, police said the demonstration was expected and that their reserves were standing by but that the spontaneousness of the "riots" caught them unawares.

BONN GOV'T PLANS BIGGER TRADE WITH EAST EUROPE

BONN, Germany, March 19.—The West German Economics Ministry is working on plans for expanding trade with the eastern European democracies, it was reported reliably here today.

Ludwig Erhard, economics minister, already has taken details of this plan to American High Commission officials "for consideration," sources said.

Although the East-West trade program is still being shaped in Erhard's offices, German officials said it will be presented to the Bonn cabinet soon and official publication of the new plan is due in a few days.

Erhard reportedly wants to increase the East-West trade by 2,000,000,000 Deutschmarks (\$476,000,000).

A new and broader trade agree-

ment with the Czech government may be negotiated "very soon," officials said.

What's On?

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MUNDT BILL PROTESTS

CHICAGO . . .

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Staff Cartoonist, Pittsburgh Courier, and Edna Wolf Henner, treasurer, Artists League of Midwest.

CHICAGO, March 19.—Negro and white trade union leaders, acting through the South Side Negro Labor Council, have protested the Mundt Bill and wired Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas (D-Ill) urging that it be killed.

Individual telegrams were sent by: Sam Parks, secretary-treasurer, district council, CIO Packinghouse Workers; William Smith, district vice president, United Electrical Workers; Bernard Lucas, International executive board, CIO Longshore & Warehousemen.

Also, Abe Feinglass, international vice-president, CIO Fur & Leather Workers; William Burch, president, Local 1119, UE; Kenneth Garner, international representative, Dining Car & Railroad Food Workers Union (Ind); John T. Bernard, former Congressman and district legislative director, United Electrical Workers.

Also, John Gray, executive secretary, South Side Negro Labor Council; Arthur P. Price, Jr., executive secretary, Illinois Civil Rights Congress; Clifford Johnson, international representative, Fur & Leather Workers; Ray Tillman, South Side chairman, Communist Party; William Nixon, secretary-treasurer, Local 23, Packinghouse Workers; Joseph Zebrowski, trustee, Local 25, Packinghouse Workers; and Sedrach Husband, grievance committee, Local 343, Packinghouse Workers.

JERSEY CITY . . .

NEWARK, March 18.—"I urge all Negro people and other champions of democracy to oppose the Mundt Bill with every ounce of their energy," declared James H. Fultz, president, New Jersey State Association, Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, in a statement made public yesterday.

The Mundt Bill is "obviously intended to eliminate all opposition" to the warmongers, he said, and to "silence the Negro people."

Other New Jersey groups adopting resolutions against the Mundt bill are: Newark local, American Federation of Teachers; Business and Professional Women's Chapter, American Jewish Congress, Newark; New Jersey State Organization of Teachers; Newark Chapter, American Congress of Women; Jersey City chapter; AJC men's division; Asbury Park Chapter, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Long Branch Council of Jewish Women; Trenton Chapter, NAACP, and 40 shopworkers from the Singer plant, Elizabeth.

LOS ANGELES . . .

LOS ANGELES, March 19.—Condemnation of the Mundt Bill as being "subversive to our bill of rights" was announced by the Democratic county clerical committee. Speaking for the county's 1,122,836 registered Democrats, the committee struck at the Gestapo measure in a resolution adopted unanimously at its regular monthly meeting.

Unanimous opposition to the bill was expressed by the Greater Los Angeles CIO Council. A council meeting authorized drafting of such a resolution for submission to U. S. Senators.

Distribution of 100,000 leaflets exposing the Bill was started by the Southern California Legislative Conference. One hundred and fifty representatives of 72 organizations meeting in emergency session at the Alexandria Hotel unanimously adopted an action program to defeat the bill.

Unanimous opposition to the Bill was voted by the executive board of the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council, it was announced in letters that went out to 340 organizations affiliated with the council.

Chrysler local 330 of the United Auto Workers wired Sens. Sheridan Downey and William Knowland protesting the Mundt Bill as a threat to labor. The Los Angeles Newspaper Guild at its membership meeting adopted a motion condemning the bill.

A citywide chain telephone campaign to stimulate the sending of thousands of wires and letters was unanimously voted protesting the bill by the county central committee of the Independent Progressive Party.

The Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress here went into action with wires from various chapters to Knowland and Downey urging a "No" vote on the Bill.

Hadassah groups "have been wiring right along while the bill was in committee," said its American Affairs Committee chairman.

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Brighton Beach Section
Communist Party

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SAM

Acheson

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net-level committee to draft "foreign economic policy." An advisory committee of big businessmen, college presidents and the like, will work with the cabinet members to evolve a program to go far beyond the now generally discredited Marshall Plan.

MILITARY SIDE

David Lawrence, columnist and publisher, apparently has information concerning the military side of the program. He revealed that the U. S. Navy, using especially its great aircraft carriers, will stage "demonstrations" in Southeast Asia. Military missions, similar to those sent to Greece, will go to the countries in the Far East, he said.

But no such program will be placed before Congress and the people until public opinion has been softened, or, as Acheson evidently phrases it, until the State Department has succeeded in "scaring the britches" off the American people.

This is privately admitted to be the aim of Acheson's numerous public appearances, according to Ray Cromley, State Department correspondent for the Wall Street Journal.

Acheson is "worried that Americans aren't behind his foreign policy," Cromley reported. "He thinks that is because the American people don't understand what Russia is up to. So he's decided to explain."

NOT MEANT SERIOUSLY

Cromley, Kuhn and John Hightower, the Associated Press State Department correspondent, all agree that Acheson's offer of an agreement with the USSR on seven conditions was not advanced seriously.

"Mr. Acheson is certain the Russians will not do these things," Cromley wrote.

"The secretary's words showed he had not the slightest hope" of the Soviet Union accepting his conditions, Kuhn commented. "He was simply telling the American people to expect no agreements of any value, and to steel themselves for a long drawn-out struggle short of war."

"Every condition he (Acheson) laid down called for a major retreat by Russia from some political or propaganda position," Hightower observed. "Mr. Acheson hastened to add that he did not think the Russians were in a mood to accept his program."

OPINION POLLS

Acheson is disturbed not only by signs of a lack of enthusiasm for his program in Congress, according to Kuhn, but also by public opinion polls "which show a continuing public interest in direct talks with Premier Stalin."

Much of the Congressional hostility to Acheson's program has been due to the conservative influence of the economy bloc. But the hand of the economy crowd has undoubtedly been strengthened by the opposition of ordinary citizens, especially church groups, who fear and despise the cold war.

The observers quoted here are obviously convinced there is not the slightest disposition in the Truman administration to accept Soviet overtures for peace discussions. The consensus is that U. S. officials will push the cold war to the limit. There is one danger, however, which none of them discusses. That danger is that Acheson and his aides, who are staking so much on "scaring the britches" off the American people, may promote new artificial, but nevertheless, perilous crises to facilitate acceptance of their program.

LIFE OF THE PARTY, the column by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, member of the national committee of the Communist Party, appears Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Daily Worker.

Condolences

Heartfelt condolences to Belle Cohen and children on the loss of their husband and father

SAM COHEN

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SEN. GEORGE WANTS TO ARM SPAIN AND GERMANY

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Sen. Walter F. George (D-Ga) today urged inclusion of Franco Spain and Western Germany in the U. S. arms program for Europe.

"I never thought there was anything to the program unless we were willing to take the bold step of rearming western Germany and putting Spain in the picture," George said.

He said, however, that he considers these steps as politically impractical now.

Asked if he thought Germany should be rearmed now, he refused to elaborate. He added, however,

"I see no possibility of setting up a military defense against Russia

unless you are going to do it." He admitted he does not assume Russia is going to move against western Europe.

Baby Output High

WASHINGTON, March 19 (UP).—A bumper crop of babies—second only to 1947's record-breaking number—was born in the United States last year, the U. S. Public Health Service estimated today.

It reported that 3,729,000 babies were born last year. This brought the post-war total for the four years ending Dec. 31 to nearly 15,000,000, almost the same number as born in the five previous years.

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WJZ-Curt Massey
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7:00-WOR-Sinatra Show
WJZ-Edwin Hill
WJZ-Deulah
WJZ-Masterwork Hour
WJZ-News: Keyboard Artists
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7:15-WOR-News of the World
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Arrange Theatre Parties for New Play

By Theodore Ward

The following organizations are among those which have already taken block bookings on theatre parties for the People's Drama production of Theodore Ward's new play, John Brown, scheduled to premiere April 22 at the group's new theatre, 212 Eldridge St.

The National Council of Soviet-American Friendship, Queens Civil Rights Congress, Astoria Civil Rights Congress, Brooklyn Community School, Forest Hills American Labor Party, Franklin Square American Labor Party, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America, Local 1927, Local 430, New Jersey Local, Greek Section, International Workers Order, United Public Workers, New York District, Jewish Young Fraternalists, Young Progressives of America, Society for Ethical Culture, the Progressive Playwrights, Literature Division, ASP.

Shirley Norris is handling the bookings (with discounts up to 35 percent available) and she can be reached at People's Drama Studio, 17 W. 24 St., or by phoning ALconquin 5-1844.

MOVIE GUIDE

• Excellent • Good

- THE BICYCLE THIEF. Another fine film by Vittorio De Sica, the maker of "Shoeshine." Manhattan—World Theatre.
- LENIN. An hour-long documentary on the life of Lenin, with a group of interesting Soviet short subjects. Manhattan—Stanley.
- THE AFFAIR BLUM. The fine German film about the frameup of a Jew. Manhattan—Belmont.
- PETER THE GREAT. A revival of the famous Soviet movie. Manhattan—Irving Place.
- THE TITAN. Worth seeing for its shots of Michael Angelo's sculpture. Manhattan—Little Carnegie.
- TIGHT LITTLE ISLAND. What happens to an island of the Hobbies when its supply of Scotch runs out. Manhattan—Trans-Lux 60th St.
- RED SHOES. Distinguished by a fine ballet sequence. Manhattan—Bijou.
- CINDERELLA. Walt Disney's animation of the fairy tale has included some charming animal characters. One for children. Manhattan—Majestic.
- DAVE IN THE FLESH. A sensitive, beautifully made film about two young lovers incapable of escaping the mesh of bourgeois conventions in which they're caught. Manhattan—Art.
- QUARTET. Polished and witty stories of Somerset Maugham. Manhattan—Gramercy.
- A ROYAL AFFAIR. A Chevalier bagatelle, with some witicism about social climbing bourgeois. Manhattan—Normandie.
- ALL THE KING'S MEN. Superficial and inconclusive as a picture of Huey Long, but an exciting film to watch. Manhattan—RKO Jefferson, Low's 42 St., Low's 86 St., Savoy, Dale, Brooklyn—St. George Playhouse, Low's Warwick, Brook.
- THE MUSEUM OF MODERN ART FILM LIBRARY. The famous Griffith film "Intolerance." One showing only at 3 p.m.

THE RED DANUBE. Daring slander about the Soviet Union's policy in Austria.

Art Galleries:

Works of Edward Hopper on Exhibit at Whitney Museum

By Charles Corwin

THE WHITNEY MUSEUM has again gotten together the works of Edward Hopper. It is a uniquely consistent group, for Hopper has had the courage to stand firm against the shifting currents of fashion. He has remained objective and realistic in a period when almost every other painter has yielded to the temptation of showing that he, too, might be "modern". With the exception of the earliest paintings done in Paris he has kept his eyes on the framework within which our city and town middle-class lives. His vision of America has become a permanent part of our consciousness. The wooden mansion stranded by the Erie tracks, apartment houses of the era of President Taft, side streets in Weehawken, empty neighborhood streets at night have become meaningful symbols of our country because of Hopper. In that sense he is truly a national artist who takes rank along with Peale, Homer and Eakins.

NONETHELESS Hopper is an artist limited by his class and his period. Unlike the great bourgeois painters of the nineteenth century, when the middle-class was still making revolutions, phrasing constitutions, and pushing past frontiers, Hopper's people are not active elements in a changing world. They are small and isolated actors, when they appear at all. If the hopeful energy of earlier bourgeois realists is missing, there is also no trace of the heroic optimism which characterizes the best of new proletarian realism. He does not even have the critical attitude and desire for reform which marked the work of his teachers. As a student of Henri, he studied in the circles which produced the social criticism of the Ash Can School, but it was not until 1925 that Hopper gave up commercial art for the full time painting of pictures. By then the feeling that muckracking might lead to reform had given way to disillusion, and Hopper retained only the conviction

that the world must be seen objectively and without artistic prejudice.

What is the section of the world which Hopper has seen with such clarity and honesty? In the first place, it is the unproductive and inactive part which he invariably presents. What is shown are the buildings already produced submerged the scattered occupants exhausted or bored in the intervals between work. Only the service parts of the economy are shown, and the only people working are a burlesque queen, a gas station attendant, two office workers, a waitress and a usherette. It is as if the entire economy existed only to minister in an unsatisfactory way to a few wants. In brief it is the world as seen from the point of view of that section of the petty bourgeoisie which circumstances permit to delude themselves with the notion of neutrality in the war between classes.

IT HAS BEEN POINTED out that "modern" art is by and large the expression of the unproductive, leisured sections of the middle-class. In this respect it is most interesting to note that Hopper has all of the fundamental qualities which mark the last century of bourgeois painting. But in his case their expression is naturalistic rather than formalist, objective rather than subjective. Isolation, pessimism, senuous naturalism, and even dehumanization are the central themes of Hopper's paintings, but his saving virtue is that he presents them as aspects of the external world rather than as the effect of the external world on his mind and emotions. A Neo-Romantic like Eugene Berman seizes on the alienation of the individual in a ruined world and makes of it an exotic art, but Hopper does not delight in romantic pessimism or romantic melancholy; he presents with flat finality his picture of the lower-middle-class world as a lonely and unsocial place.

The loneliness of the artist locked in his studio has found expression in an idle play with senuous pat-

tern or pure emotion. But for Hopper this loneliness of the isolated watcher is an objective fact which is characteristic of the real world. The lighthouse keeper whose perch Hopper so often paints, the lonely women peering out of masonry houses, the audience of two in an empty theater, the lovers who look into themselves instead of at each other are all types of the artist himself who is felt in almost every painting as being the solitary watcher at odd hours of the night, or the only person in miles. It is the fact of isolation, not its effect on the artist, which Hopper presents. From this comes his mood of general melancholy, of depopulated streets, and spaces at noon or midnight with no humans to mark them.

Like the Impressionists his view is always a casual one, at odd angles of the incidental, but unlike the nineteenth century naturalists it is not the sensuous delight in the play of color and form which moves him. His elaborately momentary view is always not only of a fact but of a typical fact. What he shows not only occurs often within the experience of a whole class, but the way in which he shows it is typical of the basic categories of experience of that class.

HOPPER reaches beyond the merely objective to the true. Neither a socialist realist nor a critical realist, he is simply a realist in the sense that the bourgeois painters of Holland were. He does not criticize what he shows nor does he seem to be aware of any possibility of change for the better, but so honest and accurate has his vision been that he offers material on which criticism may be based. It is for this reason that Hopper represents the best of the bourgeois tradition, that part which may most profitably be studied and built upon. From Hopper one may proceed to socialist realism, whereas from a Matisse or a Mondrian it is only possible to arrive at the decadent formalism of the last Whitney Annual.

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Hollywood:

Caricature of Negro In 'Hasty Heart'

By David Platt

A HASTY JUDGEMENT: The Panel of Dramatic Arts of UNESCO, the United Nations organization and the American National Theatre and Academy have singled out Warner Bros. production of *The Hasty Heart* as an outstanding example of the kind of movie that "promotes international understanding and brotherhood." The film does not deserve this accolade. It shows brotherhood—yes! But toward white men only. Little understanding is shown toward colored men in *Hasty Heart*. The film's weakest link is its characterization of an African soldier as a "Zombie" who can speak but one word of English and who spends his leisure time stringing beads for a white man. This is the colored colonial seen through the eyes of the imperialist ravagers of Africa.

HOLLYWOOD NEWS

ITEM: "James Cagney is brushing up on his dancing for *West Point Story*, romantic musical with military academy background." Acheson sets the tune—Cagney dances!

AN EXHIBITOR WRITES

TO THE MOTION PICTURE HERALD: "Crime pictures do not pay. Neither do mysteries. What we need is more and better comedies. People like to laugh." But the gangster film is Hollywood's bread-and-butter. The entire industry is based on crime. Some companies are beginning to make compromises however with those who want "more and better comedies." RKO, for instance has *Smiler With a Gun* coming up, a crime film designed to make you die laughing.

AN UNANSWERABLE POINT: The Hollywood Citizen-News received a letter from a film fan asking why the price of admission is always jacked up for the big super-expensive films. The paper's movie editor showed the letter to a big producer. His answer was that the big pictures cost more and thus they have to raise prices to get back a return on their investment. "How come then," the film fan asked in rebuttal, "they don't lower the prices when they show reissues. They've already made their money on those." The movie editor was forced to admit the film fan had a "mighty fine point."

DEMOCRACY IN ACTION: A well known commercial film company has just completed an on-the-spot film for a southern state on the subject of democracy. The character of this 'democratic' film can be deduced from the fact that convict labor was used in making it.

GETTYSBURG: A. & F. Films, distributors of '1948,' exciting French film which traced the course of the '1948' revolution in France through the medium of prints by Daumier and other artists contemporary to the period, will soon have another film similar in style to '1948' but dealing with American history. The film—it is being made for A. & F. by Lewis Jacobs, author of *Rise of the American Film*—describes the course of the decisive battle of the American Civil War through the medium of photographs and prints. Its title—*Gettysburg*.

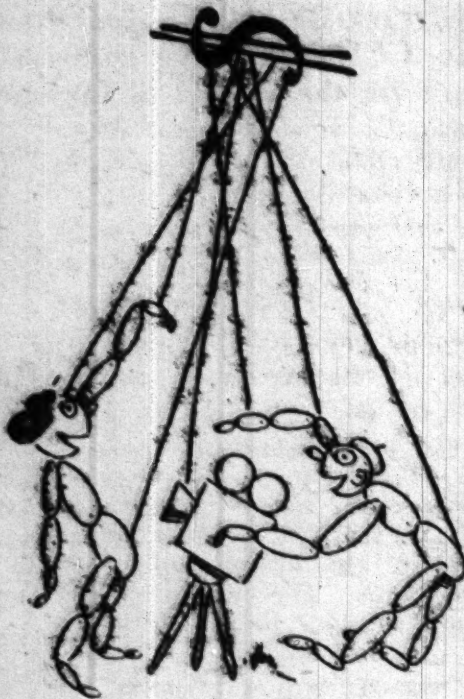
BARBERSHOP GOSSIP: Alfred Hayes, author of *Girl of the Via Flaminia* has been signed by Warners to do the screenplay for the Ring Lardner story *Haircut*.

Lenin's Actual Speech To Red Army In 1918 Recorded In Stanley Film

A rare opportunity to hear an actual speech by Lenin, whose voice has never before been heard here, is offered to American audiences in *Lenin*, the full length documentary film on the founder of the Soviet State currently at the Stanley Theatre. The speech was addressed to the Red Army just prior to their great counteroffensive which ultimately led to victory.

In the summer of 1918, the situation was extremely acute for the young Soviet Republic. The foreign and home counter-revolutionaries had united to combat the Soviet regimes. The foreign interventionists were in occupation of three-fourths of the country. The Ukraine and the Caucasus, Siberia and the Far East, the Urals and Central Asia were cut off from the rest of Russia.

The imperialists had proclaimed a blockade. Kolchak's army marched from the East; Denikin's forces advanced from the South; Yudenich marched against Petrograd from the north-west; and in central Russia the Kulak rebellious were breaking out everywhere. The infant state found itself in a ring of fire, cut off from her main sources of food, raw materials and fuel. The people were suffering cruel starvation and in-



Today's Film:

'Under My Skin' at Roxy

By Jose Yglesias

TWENTIETH Century - Fox has gone to a lot of trouble to make *Under My Skin*, now at the Roxy. They've adapted it from an old Hemingway short story called *My Old Man*. They took their cameras to France to get an

authentic setting. And they've put the lovely French actress Micheline Presle (whose name they have changed to Prella) in it. But all those side dishes and sauces don't keep it from being the same old stew.

Its story of a double-crossing jockey who rather than disillusion his son finally gets killed winning

a race could have been taken from any number of old scripts lying around the studio. And the cameras would not have had to go any farther afield than Southern California. Not that one isn't grateful for the outdoor shots in France and northern Italy. They're the best things in the movie.

Under My Skin has the look of a short story that has been stretched, padded and slowed to a trot. Hemingway knows (or at least knew) how much an idea is worth and his literary economy never would have expanded a story to the length to which script writer Casey Robinson has. Thus, what is done in a sentence gets a whole scene in the movie.

The jockey, played by John Garfield, escapes from Italy after having chiselled the men with whom he'd fixed a race. In France he meets a lovely cafe owner, falls in love with her. She tutors his young son. The jockey's former

cohorts catch up with him, wait until he rides his own horse as the favorite in an important race, and then demand that he throw it.

All this is done flat and relentlessly. From early in the picture's beginning the conflict and eventual ending are clearly in sight. And the movie, without picking up any interesting details along the way, simply ambles its way to the goal post. Micheline Prella sings a couple of complete songs for no other reason than to keep the movie from ending too soon.

The setting of the story has been changed to the present. There are shots of what are supposed to be young American intellectuals in left bank cafes, but that is as far as the movie's inventiveness goes. The whole thing has the appearance of happening in a vacuum, so that such good actors as John Garfield and Micheline Prella hesitate and seem at a loss in most of the scenes.

Books:

A Jesuit's History of Labor Relations in N. Y. Rapid Transit

By George Morris

HARRY SACHER, when general counsel for the Transport Workers Union, "enjoyed an enviable record for persistence and success before the state labor board."

"His brilliance could have commanded considerable reward on the side of transit management; nevertheless an almost religious

Labor Relations in the New York Rapid Transit System, 1904-1944. By James M. McGinley, S. J., Columbia University Press, 623 pp., \$6.50.

zeal kept him on the union's side, feeding T.W.U. leadership with effective inspiration. As counsel his methods were not conciliatory, but his dogged insistence paid off."

That's how James J. McGinley, a Jesuit priest, described the man whom Michael J. Quill's clique in the T.W.U. dismissed for factional reasons, and whom Judge Harold Medina sentenced to six months for his equally persistent and dogged defense of the 11 leaders of the Communist Party.

FATHER MCGINLEY draws this estimate in his study, *Labor Relations in the New York Rapid Transit System, 1904-1944*. The book contains considerable valuable data on the history and development of the transit system since horse cars gave way to subways and "els," and the labor relations policies followed by first the private companies, then the city as owner of the line, then the city through the civil service system.

Father McGinley tries hard to develop the papal line of labor relations designed to be "strike-proof" and "red-proof." He is as anti-Communist as a Jesuit priest is required to be. But some facts stared him so boldly in the face, like the record of Sacher, that he couldn't help but acknowledge them.

The book, unfortunately for him, was ready for the press before Quill executed his overnight switch to the camp of the O'Dwyer administration and the most reactionary circles in the labor movement. Thus he was unable to embrace him in a fitting manner. He confined himself to describing Quill as a political climber.

Though secondary to Sacher as a power behind the throne," continues Father McGinley, "Austin Hogan was nevertheless an influential figure of the original group. He became galvanizer extraordinary of others' energies and a firm guide to Quill's publicity talents. He temporarily relinquished active leadership of the New York local for service in the armed forces during World War



II. Keeping the membership in line was Hogan's specialty, first as general secretary in 1936, then as president of the New York local, a role he actively resumed in Dec. 7, 1945.

TURNING THEN to the third of the union's founders Quill's clique ousted and the government deported, Father McGinley writes: "John Santo rose from business agent to secretary-treasurer, and later to national director of organization, a post he returned to after service in the army. With Hogan he plotted the path of T.W.U.'s early development, ideologies included."

Of Douglas McMahon, who was international secretary - treasurer, wartime president of the big New York local, Father McGinley writes:

"Free of the intolerance and domineering attitude of others; he was the first to reach some semblance of a meeting of minds with the (transit) board. At one time a machinist's helper with I.R.T., MacMahon was a full-time T.W.U. worker for most of the union's history, and won prestige with management as well as rank and file solely from union activities carried out with restraint and realism."

AFTER THUS describing the men who built the union, Father McGinley considers it a "paradox" that predominantly Irish-Catholic workers should have for so many years elected, and stood by, left wing leaders. He concludes that it was not their Communist or left wing views the workers supported but their fine record of unionism and defense of the interests of the workers. He then paid the follow-

ing tribute to the men who built the T.W.U.:

"If Communism got in, it was because Communism was prepared to stand right on the station platforms and in the shops, there to organize and fight for a just cause which others were not on hand to support quite as resolutely. Communism may have launched T.W.U., financed its early history, given it time, backing, friends, letterheads, a home, prestige, talking points and a whirlwind counsel. It may have provided T.W.U. with a policy and program complete with practical techniques. But these things alone did not maintain a vast Irish-Catholic following. Results in a good cause did."

Father McGinley is of course very sorry that New York transit workers followed the left, but he blamed it on the past ruthless anti-union policy of the private owners of the lines and the subsequent anti-union line of the municipal government. He concludes that until the transit workers do get rid of left leadership they "will not have complete security."

PRESUMABLY, if the book had been extended to the present period, with Quill a new man, and the objectionable people the priest praised so highly out of the picture, and the city's labor policy adjusted to meet the prescription set forth in the book, we'd be told that the millennium was reached. That, however, is not the way the men on the lines take it. By their high anti-Quill vote in recent elections, and Quill's own effort to appease the growing dissatisfaction of the workers with loud talk of possible strikes, it appears that the transit workers did not forget what they learned under the T.W.U.'s earlier leadership. Father McGinley's pattern for a strikeless labor-management cooperation policy doesn't seem to suit the kind of workers that make up New York transit.

Hollywood, a column of film news and comment by David Platt appears daily in the *Daily Worker*.

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By lester rodney

Out of Bed Just in Time

NEVER KNEW WHAT basketball fans suffered over the radio until I had to take most of the exciting basketball tournament in bed. It all seemed to sound about like this:

"... into the keyhole with those fine Buddy Lee suits, hurry, hurry, sale going into overtime where Flatbush meets Fulton, pushes a righthanded shot off his Adler elevator shoes, the rebound missed, another rebound taken off by that cool delicious Nedicks Orange Drink, now there's a jump ball called by that fine 'World-Telegram and Sun' sports section, upcourt they come in a fast break calling Market 2-9190 for immediate installation of that Dynamic television set you've been waiting for — and it's a time out."

What now, maybe a little discussion of the strategy of the game, clarification of something blurred over in the fast reporting necessary in basketball? Ha ha. Now they give you "Little Nick and Mr. Quick."

Mix all this well with penicillin, aspirin and fruit juice. I'm ready to send in my contribution to Bob Lauter, who HAS to listen to the radio.

So it was especially nice to get to the Garden in person Saturday night and watch basketball without commercials. By the way, it's not the fault of the announcers, who do a good job under the staggering handicap of plugging five products at once.

IT WAS ESPECIALLY nice because CCNY played beautiful basketball to win the national tournament. The strained myth of sports writing disinterest and impartiality at all times is one I can't even bother to fake where the CCNY basketball team is concerned. I like City's teams. I even gave the table in the mezzanine press

LATE BUT HOPEFUL STARTER

A typical typographical error appeared here last week when a little notice read: "Lester Rodney is ill. On the Scoreboard will not appear until he returns." But "appeal" really wasn't wrong after all, for that's just what I'm doing now, belatedly, after having been left at the post by the other columnists in the friendly fund drive competition. All dough sent in for our fighting paper care of me will be acknowledged promptly and gratefully in this space.

section a vigorous thump when the final buzzer sounded and the City players swarmed together hugging and kissing in an indescribable moment of sheer ecstasy while the sound roared down like thunder from the balcony on the Ninth Avenue side. Maybe I hit the table especially hard because right behind me were a group of Peoria, Illinois, businessmen hooting and jeering and one of them had said something like "... play in a white man's tournament." Everybody doesn't like CCNY.

The players on this team which swept through San Francisco, Kentucky, Duquesne and Bradley to win the world series of basketball are all youngsters from out of New York's public high schools. They ride the subways to and from school with their classmates. They don't get the careful training tables, diet, regulated sleep and pampered care of most other school's athletes. They have to hit the textbooks just as hard as the other students in a city school where requirements are rigid. The night before the Kentucky game, one of the youngsters told me with odd pride Saturday night, co-captain Irwin Dambrot, a pre-dental student, was at his books for a test late into the night. If he passed the test the way he passed the Kentucky players the next night he's going to be a hell of a dentist, even though he's thoroughly left-handed.

AROUND THE GARDEN balcony this night the City students had put up big crudely lettered streamers, each with the name of a member of the team, right down to the least used substitute. Later, remnants of this home made art could be found zig zagging down Broadway as City's boys and girls came as close to taking over Times Square on a Saturday night as is possible, and wound up noisily challenging the already dead electric light news band around the Times building to light up and flash the score.

It was really a big night. From the start of this tournament the predominately sophomore CCNY team had surprised its most ardent followers with a sharply improved brand of ball. There's been a new electric tingle in the City stands. The idle hopeful season-long talk of a "potentially great" team coming of age and crystallizing all at once was coming true right down on the Garden floor for all to see. Then it looked like midnight had struck for Cinderella as the nation's touted number one team, Bradley, ran off to an eleven point lead. But City refused to fold and fought through to win. Real champions.

DOWN IN THE wild City dressing room a few of us cornered Nat Holman, who's been a bit sick too. Nat was a happy man. "This is the crowning point of my career," he said and if it looks in print like a pompous cliché it was nothing like that when he said it. For Mr. Holman has had quite a career, first as one of the (or the) greatest players in the land as the star of the Original Celtics and then as one of the most successful college coaches. "The boys had me worried for a while in the first half, I'll confess," he said, "but

Inspired NIT Form Could Carry Team to NCAA Sweep

With the first National Invitation Basketball tournament championship in the school's history safely stashed away, CCNY's exciting stalwarts of the court take a deep breath and resume practice tomorrow for the second of the nation's two big tourneys, the

A'S WALLOP DODGERS 8-2

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., March 19 (UP).—The Philadelphia Athletics sprang a triple play in the first inning and then turned to hitting to outslug the Brooklyn Dodgers, 8 to 2, today in an exhibition game before a crowd of 5,088.

The Dodgers looked like they were off and running at the start when they scored a quick run off rookie Bob Hooper on Reese's single, Shuba's walk, Snider's pop single, and a walk to Morgan.

But rookie Belardi cracked a line drive that A's first baseman Fain nailed. Fain threw to Joost to double Snider off second and Joost's rapid return to Fain caught Morgan sliding back.

The A's worked Ralph Branca for two runs in the first and one in the third and then clinched the game with a five-run outburst against Branca and Joe Hatten

Fistic Notes

The outcome of the disappointing will-of-the-wisp victory by Willie Pep over Ray Farnochon of France Friday night was a renewed clamor to get the great little champ into the ring for a rubber title fight with Sandy Saddler. Though Pep's manager is holding out for a \$100,000 guarantee

Meanwhile, Jake Mintz, manager of heavyweight champ Ezzard Charles, revealed yesterday that IBC matchmaker Weill had offered Charles a June go at 40 percent against the winner of next Friday night's Rocky Marciana-Roland La Starza bout.

EXHIBITION RESULTS

Boston (A) 030 010 510-10 13 4
New York (A) 130 002 100-7 9 2

McDermott, Ferris (5) and Tebbetts; Sanford, Hood (6), D. Johnson (7) and Berra, Silvera (6).

Brooklyn (N) 100 000 010-2 7 8
Phila. (A) 201 500 00x-8 10 1

Branca, Hatten (4), Erskine (8)

and Campanella; Hooper, Shantz (4) and Astroth.

Phillies (N) 000 200 100-3 7 1
Boston (N) 000 001 010-2 2 0

Roberts, Heintzelman (4), Thompson (7) and Lopata; Sain, Bickford (4), Hall (7) and Burris, Linden (7).

they were really a joy in the second half. They only lost the ball once the entire second half."

Dambrot, the likeable senior who really rose to this tournament, came grinning sweetly into the dressing room, with a perfect pair of lipsticked lips smacked across his face in movie style. "That Dambrot," said Nat, "Say for me that tonight he was the greatest player I've ever had. Give it the works on Dambrot!"

The uproar in the dressing room never lagged except when soph Warner came in with the big silver cup signifying him as the tourney's Most Valuable, and the silverware was passed around with respectful whistles. Norm Mager, lanky senior sub who fired the team midway through the first half, came ambling in late and someone yelled, "Practice nine o'clock tomorrow morning, Norm," to the hysterical delight of all.

Clair Bee, Frank McGuire and Joe Lapchick, coaches of LIU, St. John's and the pro Knickerbockers respectively, came in and shouted their congratulations to Nat. All three were beaming happily. They were about to leave when Lapchick said wait a minute and broke through the circle of newspapermen to clap Holman vigorously and feelingly on the arm. "You old son of a gun," said the lean, gaunt ex-teammate of Holman on the old Celtic trails. And as the three coaches left, Lapchick called back, "You'll win the NCAA tournament too!"

National Collegiate Athletic Assn. (NCAA) affair which opens at the Garden Thursday night.

In this competition, with eight teams selected by geographical districts, City bumps smack into powerful Ohio State, runaway winners of the Big Ten race and reputed the finest club produced by the Conference since the pre-war Illinois Whiz Kids. The second game of Thursday's doubleheader pits Holy Cross against North Carolina State. The winners clash Saturday night for the Eastern title, and the following Tuesday meet the Western survivors at the Garden.

Bradley, knocked off by City 69-61 in Saturday night's thrilling NIT climax, plays Kansas tonight for the right to get into the Western half competition at Kansas City against Brigham Young, Baylor and UCLA. So a Bradley-CCNY rematch is not out of the question.

Fur JB Wins Game for Gloverville Strikers

In a successful game for the Gloverville strikers played before a packed house of 400 at Central Needles Saturday night, the CCNY of labor basketball, Fur Joint Board, trimmed the Joint Council 59-54 and won the right to go down to Baltimore next Sunday and meet the fabulous Easterwood Progressive Club, Maryland's first inter-racial five. Vic Hansen of the Council was high scorer with 24. For the winners, Louis Kramberg scored 18.

Ivy All Star

George Sella and Bernie Adams of Princeton's championship team, Jim Osbourn of Yale, John Azary of Columbia and Herb Lyon of Penn were chosen yesterday as the Ivy League's All-Star basketball team by the circuit's seven coaches.

though a long shot all around.

In downing the Peoria outfit, rated number one in the land, before an overflow partisan crowd Saturday night, the suddenly matured CCNY team put the mark

PATH TO GLORY

CCNY 65, San Francisco 46
CCNY 89, Kentucky 50
CCNY 62, Duquesne 52
CCNY 69, Bradley 61

of greatness with no ifs or buts.

Bradley was exceptionally hot early in the game and this, combined with a little raggedness by City and hair-tearing failure on foul shots, accounted for an 11-point deficit with six minutes to go. It looked like the end of the line for the Beavers, but they had other ideas. Lifted by lanky senior sub Norm Mager's inspired rebounding and floor play at this juncture, they closed the gap to three points at the half and midway through the second chapter took command, held on through a wild exchange of six tie scores and seven changes of lead and won going away.

The story of this game lies in several factors not revealed by the box score. First, the City defense. Remember, for high-voltaged Bradley 61 points is a low score, and this took some doing. I would nominate Floyd Lane as the defense hero. This speedy and hard working soph did a job on Mann, then on Melchiorre, was in the right place at the right time, rebounded well and came up with the crucial late taps in the first two minutes. The matured Ed Roman, who moaned halfway through the year, "I'm a rotten defensive man," showed how much he has learned. Incidentally, big Ed, just a 19-year-old, went all the way in this killing pace until fouling out right near the end.

Another factor was the new flexibility of this City team. When the killing pace of this fast climactic game between two running teams became apparent in the second half, it was, interestingly, City better able to adapt itself to a slower game. Roman, the big hub, would come up floor with the ball calmly, the boys worked the ball carefully and deliberately. This change from the all-season buzz-buzz led to a fuller exploitation of the remarkable Ed Warner's talents in a close up pivot position. Though only 6-2, not big for pivot play, Warner's first driving step after getting the ball is so tremendous that he is almost impossible to stop short of fouling. Well did he merit the all-tourney nod as Most Valuable Player.

After the game, the Bradley coach, Forddy Anderson, paid tribute to City. "That Dambrot murdered us coming down the middle with his jump shot," he said ruefully. Irwin, only senior on the starting five, hit his all-time peak in a scintillating 23-point performance.

If City can hold the physical edge attained in this tourney, it could score an unprecedented sweep with an NCAA win. It now has the poise and confidence to go with its hitherto erratic talent. ...

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